



The Power of Words To Prosper

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1. What is the purpose of our words?

a. The Word is God's seed, and our seed. At 186,000 miles per second the sound of light, God's Word created, and our words create.

1a) Luke 8:11 "Now the meaning of this parable is this: The seed is the Word of God."

1b) Genesis 1:1, 2b, 3a, 4a, 5a (read aloud) God created: He said, He saw (He observed the fruit of what He said and judged it), He called or He named it (He declared that is was what it was so that it could be identified. This is God's way of creating. Genesis 1: 26-31 We are made after God's image. We create with our words too. Genesis 2:7, 19

1c) Jesus is God's Word made flesh. John 1:1-5, I John 1:1-3, I Corinthians 15:45 Adam was a speaking spirit...with power to create as well. Jesus became the second Adam with more power than Adam and joined with God to bring new life to God's human race with His Words because He is the Word.

1d) The sower sows the Word. Hebrews 11:3 Through faith we understand that the worlds (generations of time or moeds of time) were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear. Mark 4:14 God is a sower, and we are to be sowers of His Word of Life.

2. Words are actual things, they are matter. Even though we cannot see them as they are being spoken, they are being put into the atmosphere and are a creative force. They are backed by the spirit or the breath and they are not just inanimate objects floating into the atmosphere.

The most used Hebrew word for Word is "dabar", which literally means a thing, or matter. To subdue, to appoint, to bid, to command to commune, declare, destroy, give name, promise, pronounce.

Another Hebrew word for Word is Imrah, which is a feminine tense. It means to name or to call something.

So when something is named it becomes that which it is named, or it is named or called that which it has the characteristics of. Before a believer names or calls something, that believer has

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a responsibility to properly discern what is coming out of his/her mouth. Because to name or to call is to take the responsibility of creating.

The Greek words for Word are two-fold as well. The Words Rhema and Logos are used. Rhema is a revelatory word, it means that something that is spoken is revealed or manifested. Logos is the written word, and means that the written word also has great power to create manifested proof of that creation.

The Words of Life: Galatians 5:22 the Fruit of the Spirit is: so, we are to speak from the Spirit, and give life to our ears and the ears of others. Philipp 4:6-8, Read...

Isaiah 55: 10-12 “ For as the rain and snow come down from the heavens and return not there again, but water the earth and make it bring forth and sprout, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, So shall my Word be that goes forth out of My mouth; it shall not return to Me void [without producing any effect, useless], but it shall accomplish that which I please and purpose, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out [from the spiritual exile caused by sin and evil into the homeland] with joy and be led for the [by your Leader, the Lord Himself, and His Word] with peace, the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the fields shall clap their hands...”

Mt 12:36 READ The word “idle” is directly connected with Murmuring. Murmuring in the Hebrew is Luwn (Loon): To stay, stop or dwell in a bad sense. To continue or endure in a grudge, to be obstinate. Murmuring, gossiping, back-biting, complaining, speaking the problem are all negative and bring death and destruction on the scene. The attitude is driven by a spirit of rebellion and the fruit is always destructive. Idle in Greek is 692 and literally means Lazy, useless, slow, inactive, barren for good purposes. Any word that is not in union with God’s purpose to give life and abundance, prosperity and the teaching of Good News to deliver or to build up those who are held captive.

The attitude behind our words matters. The spirit of rebellion is always behind murmuring or complaining.

Jeremiah 1:10 See, I have this day appointed you to the oversight of the nations and of the kingdoms to root out and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.

James 1:17 Every good gift

James 3: 2, 5-6, 8, 13-18

2 Thess 3: 1 That the Word would have free course....

John 10:10 The devil comes not but to steal, kill and destroy, but I have come to give life and to give it abundantly.

The process of hearing and receiving the Word:

The heart of faith is activated by hearing God’s Word (only God’s Word gives hope, life), the brain thinks or reasons (and either understands the Word that has been heard or doesn’t understand it), the mouth “says” something (either what the Word has said in faith or what the

mind has reasoned in doubt & unbelief), the ears hear what is said (either with or without understanding) and faith is increased, and the atmosphere reacts to the charges words either good or bad.

Mt 11:15 He that hath ears to hear, let him hear...

Mt 13: 9,15,16

Example of power in NT Mt 7: 42-44 Lazarus raised

John 11:42, Mk 4:3, Mk 7:14 Hearken: 191 Greek, to give audience to, to take in fully, to pay attention to or to understand.

New testament example of how words affect everything around us.

Luke 8: 36,

Demoniac healed: Mk 5: 1-15

Matthew 15: 11 What goes into the mouth does not defile, but what comes out does.

Doubt & unbelief Luke 8:43

Luke 22:51, healed his ear

Peter covered over words of denial John 21: 15-17

Philippians 1: 19-20b. Read

2. How do we prosper with our words?

a. By testimony or confession.

1a) John 8: 31-32 READ Continue in My Word. James 1:17-26 The perfect law of liberty... If any man among you seem to be religious and bridles not your tongue, but deceives his heart, that man religion is in vain. Speak the Word Mark 11:22-24 Be holy in your conversation 1 Pt 1: 15 KJV Overcome by the Word of our testimony and the blood of the Lamb Rev 12:11

1b) Mt 12:36 Every Idle Word: We are responsible for speaking those things that are good to prosper ourselves and others in His goodness

1c) Sanctified by the Word John 17:17 Jesus asked the Father to sanctify us by the Word of Truth.

1d) Mt 5:19. Psalm 26:7-8, Acts 6:2-7. Acts 12:24, Acts 8:14-25

1e) Good Words vs Bad Words: Good Words: Prov 15:8, Prov 16:24, Prov 17:27, Prov 18:20-21 Bad Words: Prove 17:14, Prov 18:2, Prov 20:19, Prov 26:22

b. Example of old testament power of Words, Daniel 6: 3-10, 14, 22-23, 24-28. Daniel was not only devoted to God and God's laws, but was fully convinced of God's love and faithfulness for him. So when the decree went out about Daniels prayers, Daniel was not moved by the decree, he did not change from honoring and communing with God three times a day. So, when he was taken to the Lions Den, he knew that God would honor him. King Darius was so distraught about Daniels demise due to the fact that the King signed the dotted line and did not pay attention to the fact that it was a plot to kill Daniel, that he prayed all night and asked God to save Daniel. He was exceedingly joyful when Daniel came from the den unharmed. He not only cast those who had written the bogus laws into the den and their families, but he also proclaimed God's goodness throughout the land and Daniel prospered in the land.

c. By heeding (hearing & doing) teaching and preaching of God's Word

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- 1a) Wrong teaching leads to bondage correct teaching leads to freedom Gal 6:7
 - 1b) Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God Romans 10:17
 - 1c) Ezekiel 44:23 Teach the people the difference between the holy and the Profane.
 - 1d) Malachi 2: 5-7 Read this one
 - 1e) Preach the Word 2 Tim 4:1-5
 - 1f) Pray that the Word will have free course 2 Thess 3:1
 - 1g) We are co-laborers with Him. Ro 8:26, 2 Co 6:1
- d. By doing good-doing is also confessing and teaching the Word. Acts 1:1, Ps 25:10,14, Ps 13: 5-6, 2 Cor 10:4, Col 3:9-10, Eph 4:23, Col 3:2 Don't nullify your faith with negative words. Turn off all the voices of the world.