



“Taming Your Tongue” part 4 Oct 15, 2023

I. **Psalm 19:14**

- A. Every word you speak has power....
 - 1. Are your words edifying and full of grace always ministering grace to the hearer? (**Ephesians 4:29**).
 - 2. Are your words judgmental and critical in nature...are they full of murmuring and complaint?
 - 3. Bottom line.....2 things: Is the content in your heart (what you are meditating on) and the words that come out of your mouth acceptable to God?
- B. Is it really that important? (I asked this question last week...and I will ask it again).
 - 1. **Matthew 12:36** “Every idle word...”
 - 2. **Matthew 5:37** “Let your yes be yes and your no be no; anything more than that comes of evil.”
 - 3. **II Corinthians 2:11** “Don’t be ignorant of Satan’s devices...” (Satan can use the authority of words against you) / **Ephesians 4:28** “Neither give place...”
 - 4. Only speak those things that line up with the Word...Only speak things you desire in your life!

II. Calling things that be not...

- A. **Romans 4:17** (Amplified Bible) – calls into being that which does not exist
 - 1. God has a tremendous history of changing people’s identity’s...
 - Abram (High Father) to Abraham (Father of a multitude)
 - Sarai (Princess) to Sarah (Mother of Nations)
 - Jacob (Supplanter) to Israel (Having power with God)
 - Simon (God has heard) to Peter (Rock)
 - 2. **John 11:11-14 / John 11:38-44**
 - Why did Jesus say, “Lazarus is asleep?” – **He was setting the stage for a miracle!** (He did the same thing with the little girl in **Mark 5:39**).
 - Key moment in scripture: Jesus said PLAINLY...**vs. 14 & vs. 42**
 - Personal note: I asked the Lord, “Why do churches never hear about this truth?” His response: “Ministers are afraid to speak this truth; they believe more in the what if then the I AM!” (I AM the resurrection...)
 - 3. **II Kings 4:26** – This woman had an understanding of the power in words just like the centurion did (The one that made Jesus marvel at his faith).
- B. The Power to Bind and Loose (**Matthew 16:18-19**)
 - 1. Relationship....Revelation....Power (How do you bind and loose? Words!)
 - 2. “If you had faith like a seed, you would say...” / “Resist the devil...” / “Speak to the mountain...demons, sickness, winds and waves....Call into being that which does not exist!”