



Dear Partners,

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Words are working! What do we mean by that? You are where you are today because of your words. Your words affect your life including your finances, job, children, spouse, etc. Your life is entirely made up of words. Think about that for a minute. God created the heavens and the earth and everything in them with words. He spoke and light was. He spoke and life existed. He's given us the same power to speak words and watch them work for us! The choice is ours- are we speaking words of life or death? Unfortunately, our words aren't always in line with THE Word of God. But they are still working. This month we want to talk about the power of our words and how they shape our world. We've talked about this often times before but it bears repeating. Proverbs 18:21 says,

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit. (NKJV)

There are only two options. There is no middle ground. Sadly, Christians aren't very mindful of their words and they say anything and everything that comes to their mind...without weighing the cost. One of the most common phrases we hear people say today is, "That was so funny, I died laughing," Or "That's hilarious, I'm dead!" Unfortunately, words have power even when you don't think they do. Words are *always* working; either for life or death. There are less extreme examples of speaking words that don't bring life. For example, "My headache is killing me" or "I'm gonna lose my mind one of these days." Those may all be words that we aren't thinking about when we say them but that doesn't make them any less important or without power. By repeating those words over and over, they begin to shape our world. Little by little, the more we say we'll lose our mind, the more apparent it becomes that we are. Words have power even when we don't *mean* to say them. As soon as we realize we've said them, it's important to cancel those negative words so they don't take root in our life.

In the book of Deuteronomy, God tells us His people specific instructions about *choosing* the right thing,

See, I have set before you this day life and good, and death and evil.... I call heaven and earth to witness this day against you that I have set before you life and death, the blessings and the curses; therefore choose life, so that you and your descendants may live. (Deut 30:15, 19 AMP)

How do we choose life or death? *With our words.* There is no other way to choose between life and good or death and evil. In fact, words have the power to change our physical bodies too! Did you know that? For example, if you are believing God for healing in your back or anywhere else on your body, and you are quoting healing Scriptures daily but you don't see any results yet, you may be tempted to say, "Well, this isn't working, I'm still not healed." Those words would cancel out anything you have been quoting from the Word. Maybe you're facing a situation where you need a job. You have been digging in the Word of God to find the verses that apply to your situation and you begin to speak them over your life. Maybe a week or a month goes by and you still haven't received your job. Don't quit speaking the Word! Don't be tempted to say, "I'm never going to get a job, this is useless." You may be believing God for money to buy a new car? You have been quoting the right scriptures and speaking the Word but you still don't have one yet. A few months go by and you say, "I'm never going to have enough money to buy a car, my situation is hopeless." **Do**

not negate the words of life that you have been speaking! Remember, words are *always* working, even when we don't see the change.

There was a dear woman who gave her testimony a few months ago. She was diagnosed with a very aggressive form of cancer and was told she had about one month to live. She came home and began to think about all she needed to do before she died. Her father, a Christian man, told her this, "You have two choices here. You can wait to die or you can *choose* to live. The choice is *yours*." She took hold of her daddy's words and started to speak words of *life* over her body. She began to speak God's promises over herself 5-8 times every single day! The WORDS of God became her medicine. She didn't quit. She wasn't moved by what was happening in her physical body. Her physical body was being eaten by cancer but her words were restoring the natural course of the disease. After about a month of speaking ONLY life over her body daily, she went back to the Doctor and had more tests done. She tested negative for cancer! She was completely healed within that month because she *chose* life. She didn't see or feel a difference in her physical body whatsoever. *But the words were working.*

Do you remember the story of the centurion from Matthew 8. His servant was sick and needed healing but the centurion did not feel worthy to have Jesus come to his house. He says this to Jesus, "...But only say the word, and my servant will be healed." This man knew the importance of words and He knew the spoken Word would heal his servant.

What if the young woman in the story we told you had given up because she didn't see any change? She wouldn't be alive today to tell about the mighty works of Jesus! She would have accepted her lot in life and let nature take its course. Many Christians believe that they are given their own lot in life and they have to accept it and move on. This is not Biblical. It is a lie from the enemy! We have been given the power to choose what we think and especially what we *speak*. In fact, words are so important that Jesus Himself talked about them in Matthew 12:36-37,

But I tell you, on the Day of Judgment men will have to give account for every idle (inoperative, nonworking) word they speak. For by your words you will be justified and acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned and sentenced (AMP).

God takes words so seriously that we will actually have to give an account for every one we say! That's a scary thought! Not only that, but we will either be acquitted (pardoned or excused) by our words or sentenced by them. Make a choice to today to be mindful of your words and chose life! God gave us the power of words and He expects us to choose LIFE.

Your support and *partnership* with us is vital! We are able to do the work that God has entrusted us to do because of partners like you. You make it possible for us to go into remote areas of the world and preach the Gospel. You make it possible for us to come into the homes of people who need Jesus via YouTube and television. Technology is so powerful! The Word of God is going all over the world through various forms of media and people are being transformed by the power of the Word of God. You make it possible. Thank you for your continued support and *prayers* during the next several months as preparations are under way for our Children's project. John will be in Romania for part of October putting together the final parts of the project so our team can once again go and distribute gifts for the children of Romania. This project is near to our hearts and if you would like to know more about it, please visit our YouTube Channel or our website for more details and how you can be a part of it!

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