#### THE SIGNIFICANCE OF YOUR WORDS

Why Are You Talking?-Part 2

**Foundation Statement**: In the Word of God there are reasons for talking and if you're not talking for the right reasons, then you're going be saying the wrong things

### I. When God speaks His purpose is to send words to accomplish something

- A. Is 55:11-God speaks 2 send His Word 2 accomplish what is profitable/increase good
  - 1. 8-9-God's ways and thoughts concerning talking are higher than ours
  - 2. 10-There's a purpose for the rain and snow; it's doesn't just rain to be raining
    - a. It's been sent to do something
  - 3. God's words have a common denominator; they lead to profit/increase good
  - 4. Everything God does, there is purpose behind it; We should be like him
    - a. If the purpose for a thing is unknown, abuse & destruction are inevitable
    - b. People abuse talking, because they don't know the purpose for it
- B. Every word you speak does something-It is helping you or hurting you

# II. The purpose for words-Why we talk

- A. Matthew 12:36-We speak to yield profit, to increase good
  - 1. Your words should lead to the increase of good, ONLY, in yours & others lives
- B. James 3:10-We speak to bless-Causes increase, multiplication, to become greater
  - Blessing is to speak good things over people that impart power into their lives for those things to come to pass
- C. Ephesians 4:29-We speak to build up and minister grace
  - 1. Your words are to build people up and promote prosperity in their lives
  - 2. Your words should minister grace-When u finish talking the hearers should be built up, full of joy, pleasure, & delight; strengthened, increased in faith, & stirred to go do of the Word
    - a. Watch what you go around telling people; **your words shouldn't burden people;** What is telling them that going to do?
  - 3. What should our conseling sessions look like?
  - 4. The Holy Spirit is one of those hearers
- D. 2 Corinthians 4:13-We speak to reveal and release faith in God and in his Word
  - 1. What does what you just said say about what you believe?
- E. James 3:3-4-We speak to set the course and direction of our lives
  - 1. We use words 2 get us where we want to go, like a driver uses a steering wheel
  - 2. Rom 4:17-U call things that be not like they be b/c u don't like the way they be

### III. Psalm 12:4-People want Jesus to be their Lord, but their lips to be their own

- A. The primary use of words is not to express yourself & communicate; the primary use for words is to profit, bless, edify, minister grace, release faith, set direction of life
  - 1. All expressing & communicating must be done inside those boundaries; if you can't express and communicate inside those boundaries, then don't
  - 2. Learn to communicate inside the boundaries of faith
- B. If you're using your words primarily to express how you feel and communicate what's going on that will be counterproductive to victory
  - 1. When u hear something bad the first thing that you should do is zip it, until you find out what to say that's going to set the direction of this thing right

## IV. Wrong reasons for talking-Why we shouldn't talk

- A. Don't to express yourself when; talk to express God-John 8:26, 12:50
  - Don't use your words to express your feelings, your thoughts, or your opinions; you use your words to express what God said
  - 2. Hebrews 3:1,4:14-16-Hold fast to our confession of faith, not your feelings
    - a. He knows how you feel, he's been there; but what you do you believe?
    - b. If you want to find grace to help, hold fast to your confession of faith
    - c. People in search of sympathy talk the problem; people in search of victory talk the Word
  - 3. People want to talk to express how they feel, but if they way feel is not in line with the Word of God, then it doesn't need to be expressed
    - a. Dan 3, Num 13, 1 Sam 17-How did they feel?-We can only speculate b/c they didn't tell us how they felt, they told us what they believe
  - 4. Venting-That's yielding to something wrong-You're flesh might feel temporary relief, but spiritually you're in worse shape than you were before
- B. People are talking to comment on and talk about the problem
  - 1. John 11:3-4-Jesus heard something bad and he didn't express how he felt or comment on the problem; he immediately used his words to profit
    - a. Jesus loved him and yet wasn't interested in the details of the sickness
  - 2. Luke 1:30-56
    - a. Satan was there trying to steal the word & rob her of certainty (Mk 4:16)
    - b. 42-45-If Mary would've been around a person saying the wrong things it would destroy her faith-Elisabeth said the right things at the right time
      - 1) 43-Elisabeth calls things that be not as though they were
      - 2) 45-What the Lord told you is going to come to pass
    - c. The Lord had the one not going through it talk first

- 1) I believe what Mary said was effected by what Elisabeth said
- d. 46-Notice Mary doesn't say: "I just don't know, I mean to have a baby without a man I've never heard anything like that before. How could that possibly happen? That would be impossible wouldn't it? I don't know maybe I missed God."
  - She doesn't go on and on about how big the problem his, she begins to talk about the goodness and greatness of God
- e. In all this, having a baby without a man is never brought up
- 3. 1 Sam 17:23-As people comment on the problem they exalt it & it destroys faith
  - a. 26-He refers to the problem as a no covenant-having Philistine; He talked down to the problem (Who is this?); 37-This is nothing for God
  - b. Daniel 3:16-They didn't comment on how hot the fire looked
- C. People are talking to communicate the evil report
  - 1. **Communicating the evil report**-Some bad circumstance, situation, or thing is happening & people use words to tell others that this bad thing is happening
    - a. The big thing in this is <u>why</u> and <u>how</u> are you doing it-Are you staying inside the boundaries of faith?
      - If you're communicating the evil report in unbelief, in fear, in search of sympathy and wanting people to feel sorry for you-WRONG
      - 2) If when communicating the evil report you go on and on exalting it and magnifying it-WRONG
      - 3) Don't just go around telling everybody everything all the time
    - b. What good could come out of communicating the evil report?
      - NO-People need to know what's going on so they can pray (Mt 18:19)
      - 2) NO-They need to know how serious it is So they'll pray hard (Js 5:16)
    - c. What does knowing about your problem do for them or you?
      - 1) The way many people talk about the problem it drains faith/life
      - 2) People talk to communicate the evil report & it's helping no one
  - 2. Numbers 13-Why are they talking? Why are they saying this?
    - a. 28-Is this profiting, blessing, building up, ministering grace, releasing faith in God, or setting a positive direction for their lives?
    - b. 32-Some of the report they gave of the land is true, but it's evil
      - The people were stronger than them, the cities were walled, there were giants there, but God called what they said evil
    - c. Caleb saw the same problem, but didn't communicate it; it's good and we can do it

1)	People of faith rarely reference the problem and even if they do they are very cautious about how they talk about the problem