The heart and mouth of man

The power of the tongue

I wept and cried as I started this Newsletter, asking God to help me speak His Heart!! You must know that we have an enemy that seeks to kill, steal and destroy. The Bible calls Satan an adversary to God and His people and he will seek every avenue and way to divide, separate and scatter the sheep of God’s flock. He hates UNITY! Only when the Church is unified in the Love of God will she be strong with victory to overcome! God works in Unity – He builds but the enemy tears down. God brings together – the devil scatters and divides! So my question to you is – How does the enemy accomplish this? **He puts things into the mind & heart and uses man’s mouth and tongue!**

**Pro. 6:16** These six things doth the LORD **hate**: yea, seven are an abomination unto him:

 **17** A proud look, a **lying tongue**, and hands that shed innocent blood,

 **19** A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that **soweth discord** among brethren.

Did you know that your **Heart** and your **Mouth** are linked together? Whatever is in your Heart will come out of your mouth in words and speech, it will be what you talk about! If we truly have the Fear of God, we will be careful of what we say to others and about others!

Jesus said: **Mt 12:34** Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. **35** A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things. **36** But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall **speak**, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

 **37** For **by thy words** thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

**Ps 34:11** ¶ Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

 12 What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good?

 13 **Keep thy tongue from evil**, and thy lips from speaking guile.

 14 Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

I desire life and I want it to go well with me and see good, don’t you? I want God’s divine favor and His blessings in my life but to have that, my Heart and my Mouth must be pure and right in the sight of God. Two men were standing on a street corner talking one day when a preacher walked up and stood by listening. One of them looked down the sidewalk with disdain when he saw the local drunk walking their way. He said to the other man – Look at that old no good for nothing man coming there, he ain’t worth anything! They turned to the preacher and said – what do you have to say about him preacher? The preacher humbly and cautiously answered – “One good thing I can say about him – he’s got pretty blue eyes”, and he turned and walked away from their presence.

**Pro. 15:28** ¶ The heart of the righteous studieth to answer:

**Pro. 16:23** ¶ The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.

 Do we not realize and see how easily our inward feelings about people manifest themselves in our talk? It’s the old human nature to be critical and judgmental without the least bit of conviction.

 Did you know that the Word of God has much to say about our **Heart** and our **Mouth**?

In this Newsletter I want to deal with the Heart and the Mouth!! We desperately need the Fear of God? If we Fear the Lord, we will surely Guard our Heart and be careful what WE SAY and how we Speak about others!! God is keeping a record.

A Church will never grow and be strong; she will not see the Glory of God and experience the Blessings of the Holy Ghost in the midst; She’ll not see revival and souls saved and delivered and people healed until the Love of God and Unity is in the midst!

The Holy Ghost told us in **Col 4:6** - Let your **speech** be alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

People are watching us, they hear our conversation and behold our attitudes!

**Ps 139:4** - For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

A LOOK AT THE HEART

What does God say about our Heart? The Heart is mentioned 830 times in our Bible. The real you is your Heart, your spirit inside, it’s the place where the WILL and Conscience lies. The Holy Ghost convicts the Heart when we do or even think wrong! When Conviction comes, the Holy Ghost will cause us feel bad over bad feelings we have in our hearts!

If our Heart is right with God, our **speech** will be right! The Holy Ghost will teach you how you ought to talk. **Eph. 4:30** says – **Grieve** not the Holy Spirit of God. (We can grieve him with our loose talk and it will cause Him (the Holy Dove) to fly away!)

Ten different times in your Bible, God’s Holy Word, the Lord spoke to His people – “**Keep** my commandments and walk in my ways; Do that which is right and good; Obey my voice **that it may** **go Well with thee** and thy children after thee and prolong your days that ye may increase in the land.”

Can you say – I want it to go Well with me and my family and I want God’s Blessings in my life! I want to **prosper** in my Spirit, Soul, Mind and Body. Dear Jesus, “I want to be in your Favor and I want you pleased with my **conversation**, my **manner** of life and my **conduct** of what I do, how I live and how I treat others!” I am sure that every one of you desire God’s blessing and want it to go Well with you! But you can act or react in a wrong way about people or in front of others that will cause God’s presence to lift from you. The anointing will lift and depart! He won’t stay where there’s confusion and strife!

IF YOU ARE NOT ANOINTED, THERE IS A REASON! If you cannot keep and maintain the victory of God’s Spirit in your heart, it could be that there’s a Breach in your spirit! This could be the reason that when God does bless, the living water so quickly leaks out of your vessel. The words from the mouth can undo everything that God builds!

**Pro.** **25:28** ¶ He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls. (Your enemy seeks a way in to conquer and divide. Our mouth can remove the hedge in our life, our home, family and the Church and let the devil in to destroy!)

There are many outside the Church and the fold now that have been hurt and wounded by words spoken.

**Pro. 18:8** - The words of a **talebearer** are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly. **19** - A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the bars of a castle. (What does that mean? They were hurt so bad they have now built up walls and bars around them that they won’t allow any to enter or get close to them anymore. Trust and confidence was broken. Not only have they closed out their offender, they won’t even let God back in their life. Many precious souls have left God because of an **unbridled tongue**. Things should have been prayed over and never been spoken. The devil took it and used it to destroy the work of God! Multitudes will die lost and go to Hell because of an unsanctified mouth and tongue.) A talebearer is one who spreads tales of what he or she has heard about another! All the negative and dirty laundry is hung out.

**Pro. 11:13** - A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.

**Lev. 19:16** Thou shalt not go up and down as a **talebearer** among thy people:

 **17** Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart:

 **18** Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the LORD.

**Pro. 16:28** A froward man soweth strife: and a **whisperer** separateth chief friends.

A WHISPERER is one who whispers behind others’ back spreading rumors – to Gossip – telling what they hear others say. “Did you hear what so and so did or said? Have you heard the latest?”

The Apostle Paul wrote with a burden and stirred heart to the Corinthian Church of believers:

**2Cor. 12:20** - For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would: lest there be debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings, tumults:

**Pro. 26:20** ¶ Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no **talebearer**, the strife ceaseth.

A GLOBAL EXPLOSION OF HATE

I don’t have to tell you that we are living right in the very closing moments before Jesus returns for His Church. He’s coming for His sanctified children that Love Him and Love one another!! In my entire life, I have never heard or witnessed such hate and violence exploding across our globe. It seems like the whole world has gone mad. Jesus said in the last days – because iniquity shall abound, the Love of many shall wax cold. We are in a spiritual war, what we are seeing is supernatural. Spiritual darkness is rapidly spreading all over the world. WE MUST NOT LET THAT SPIRIT IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS! We must Keep it out of our homes and Churches.

**WHY Brother Tommy are you writing this Newsletter like this??** Knowledge is power – The Truth will open your eyes, it will make you Free. You must see how the enemy of your soul works. You must discern his tactics and be on guard. Your precious Brother and Sister that Jesus died for is very IMPORTANT! He does not want a one of them to be lost!! O GOD HELP US!!

**Pro. 4:23** Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life. (Guard your heart and don’t let anything wrong or any bad feeling about others enter!)

 **24** Put away from thee a froward **mouth**, and perverse lips put far from thee.

God knows what’s in our Hearts!

**Jer 17:9** The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

 **10** I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings. (The reins are the part of the heart that guides us and causes us to turn certain directions.)

**Ps. 64:6** – says concerning the Heart of man – (the Thought of everyone and the Heart is Deep.) Do we really know what’s in our heart? If we are sincere, we can say – Lord, show me my heart!

**Lu 10:25** ¶ And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted Him (Jesus), saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

 **26** He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

 **27** And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.

**28** And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.

Paul wrote a letter to the Christians in the Corinthian Church: **1Cor. 1:10** ¶ Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. He ended his second letter:

**2Cor. 13:11** ¶ Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

Peter wrote from his heart:

**1Pe 3:8** ¶ Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:

 **9** Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.

 **10** For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: **1Pe 1:22** See that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:

 Please let us not criticize and judge one another to tear down what God is desiring to build! God’s people must quit finding fault, it is killing the Spirit! It ought to be that we love our brother and sister in Christ strong enough that we will stand with them and tell the devil – you’ll have to come through me and my prayers before you can get to them and tear them down!

**Php 2:1** ¶ If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,

 **2** Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

 **3** Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

O God, help us to build and make strong the fellowship in the body of Christ. We are all members one of another. There’s just something about the Love of God that it looks beyond the faults and sees the needs. The Lord wants to restore!

**Eph 4:30** And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. **31** Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: **32** And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

The Psalmist David said –

**Ps 19:14** Let the **words** of my mouth, and the **meditation** of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD.

**Pro. 19:21** There are many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that shall stand. (What’s in your Heart? What causes us to act and react the way we do in the presence of others before an all knowing God?)

**1Sam. 2:3** - For the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him **actions** are **weighed**. (God looks deep in our hearts and He weighs our actions; He knows what triggers us to talk, to act and react the way we do!)

**Ps 141:3** Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

**Ps 39:1** I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my **tongue**: I will keep my **mouth** with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.

 What are you saying David? I don’t want to displease God and miss His Blessings and bring His judgment upon me because of wrong deeds and wrong words. I don’t want a faulty heart and have bad feelings in me!

**Ps. 139:4** – David said – There is not a word in my Tongue, but O Lord, thou knowest it altogether.

THE POWER OF THE TONGUE

The apostle James said –

**James 1:19** - ¶ Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to Speak, slow to wrath:

 Do you not realize that Words once spoken can never be recalled? Angry, hateful, critical words once spoken, live on in infinity, they travel through the air and enter the ears of the hearer, they echo through the corridors of the mind and travel on down into the canyon of the Heart!! You must know that the words you speak will not stop there, but they will travel to the throne of God and will be recorded!

**Pro. 18:21** ¶ Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

Whatever you do – Guard your mouth!! Words can heal or they can kill. They can build up or they can tear down. They can unite or they can divide. We must know when to speak and when to refrain from speaking.

**Jas 3:1** ¶ My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation.

 **2** For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, (by how he talks and what he says) the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body.

 **3** Behold, we put **bits** in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body.

 **4** Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, (one small rudder) whithersoever the governor listeth.

 **5** Even so the **tongue** is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!

 **6** And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

 **7** For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind:

 **8** But the **tongue** can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of **deadly** **poison**.

 **9** Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God.

 **10** Out of the same mouth proceedeth **blessing** and **cursing**. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.

 **11** Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter?

 **12** Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so can no fountain both yield salt water and fresh.

 **13** ¶ Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a **good conversation** his works with meekness of wisdom.

 **14** But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

 **15** This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish.

 **16** For where **envying** and **strife** is, there is confusion and every evil work.

 **17** But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

 **18** And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

In ending this Newsletter, **Ps 139:23** Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: **24** And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

**Guard your mouth**! One preacher said – the tongue of the unsanctified is a caged lion pacing behind the bars of your teeth waiting to pounce. You can spread rumors and start fires that offend and destroy. The tongue can pierce precious hearts of the innocent with hurt! It can damage relationships, separate friends. Loose lips sink mighty ships! O God if we could only see how gravely important this matter is and keep the Love of God and the Unity of His Spirit in our midst! If you really Pray and your Heart is right – your talk and speech will be right! Our words can build or tear down – they can unite or divide! They can Encourage and lift others. When I face God on the day of judgment, I don’t want to be charged with murder of a precious brother or sister. You can surely criticize and judge and with the tongue kill the influence, ruin the reputation of the preacher and others and destroy God’s work to save souls.

**Pro. 12:18** ¶ There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.

**Pro. 10:11** ¶ The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life.

**Pro. 21:23** ¶ Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

**Pro. 15:4** ¶ A wholesome tongue is a tree of life:

**Pro. 10:20** ¶ The tongue of the just is as choice silver:

**Ps 45:2** Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips:

**Fill my mouth with your praise O Lord!!**

**Ps 63:5** My mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips:

**Pro. 10:21** The lips of the righteous feed many:

**Pro. 15:23** ¶ A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it! **26** But the words of the pure are pleasant words.

Little Children, let us serve God and Love one another! Fill us Lord with the good Holy Ghost and let the peace of God rule in our hearts. Give us an excellent spirit. Unify us in the work of God! Forgive us and Cleanse us from all our faults! Give us a pure Heart! Fill our mouth continually Lord with your Praise!! Dear Jesus, Sanctify our minds and thoughts so that our speech will always edify and lift up our precious Brothers and Sisters!! May God Bless all my dear readers!! ***Written By Tommy Romans Dec. 2023***