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THE TONGUE

Proverbs 18:21 says ***“Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.”*** That is a strong statement.

Consider every word that you speak that they either bring life or death. Do you think we would be more careful with words? God created everything by speaking it into existence. Since we are created in His image, that same creative ability is in us.

So, what are we creating? Are we creating life? By speaking the promises of God, we create life into our spirit, soul and body. By speaking life over ourselves and others, we become what we say.

In Joshua 1:8 it says ***“This book of the law (the word of God) shall not depart out of thy mouth, but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.”*** What we meditate or think upon continually is what will come out of our mouth. If we meditate on the Word of God, then we will speak what the Word says, because we are “full” of the word. Life comes through the Word of God being spoken

If we meditate on hatred and bitterness, then that is what is going to come out of our mouths and bring death to ourselves and others. When we fill ourselves up with media that breeds fear and listen to television or the internet that breeds hatred, then we become consumed with it. We become what we think on. God instructs us to think on good things in Philippians.

Think of it like this. Words go into the atmosphere and stay there. They produce fruit just like seeds. The only way we can stop negative death filled words is to repent and speak life. We have to train our tongue. James says it is a little member, but it controls the ship like a rudder. If we train it to speak life, we get life. Or if we don't train it, it will speak death. What if every word you said about yourself and others literally comes to pass? Would you be more careful what you speak? Would you be creating life or death?

Think about this. Ask God if there are areas that you need to repent of.