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WORDS THAT CONDEMN

We talk about words and how they affect us for the good and the bad. Proverbs 17:21 is a constant reminder how ***“death and life are in the power of the tongue.”*** Words affect us even if we say them in ignorance.

I want to share a personal story. My mother and dad did not wear glasses until they were in their fifties and then it was mostly for reading. You could say that good vision was in my genes.

I had a friend that was two years older than me. She would have been ten and I was eight. She had gone to the eye doctor and had to get glasses. I decided that I wanted to wear glasses too. I said this aloud. “I wish I wore glasses.”

It wasn't but a few months after that was said that I could not see as well as I had been seeing. My mother took me to the eye doctor and sure enough I needed glasses. I had spoken this into existence even though at eight I had no understanding of Proverbs 17:21. In my ignorance I spoke “death” to good vision over my eyes.

Now you might think that this was not true, but remember, neither of my parents had worn glasses until their late fifties. No one else in my family wore glasses. I cursed myself with my own words even at age eight, and it was not until years later that I realized what had happened. Because of what I had done my children all wore glasses even though their father did not wear glasses. What I did became a stronghold in my family that had to be broken off.

When I learned that I needed to stop that stronghold I repented. I declare that no one else would have that curse! Matthew 12:37 says, ***“For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.”***

What are you saying over yourself that opens the door for Satan to legally come in? That is right, he is a legalist, and he uses our words as a prosecuting attorney to put on us on trial for what we say. I would suggest you examine yourself and if you have said words that need to be renounced then make sure you do it now. Do not give Satan any legal right. Take back what you gave him legally. Repent for your sin of speaking idle words.