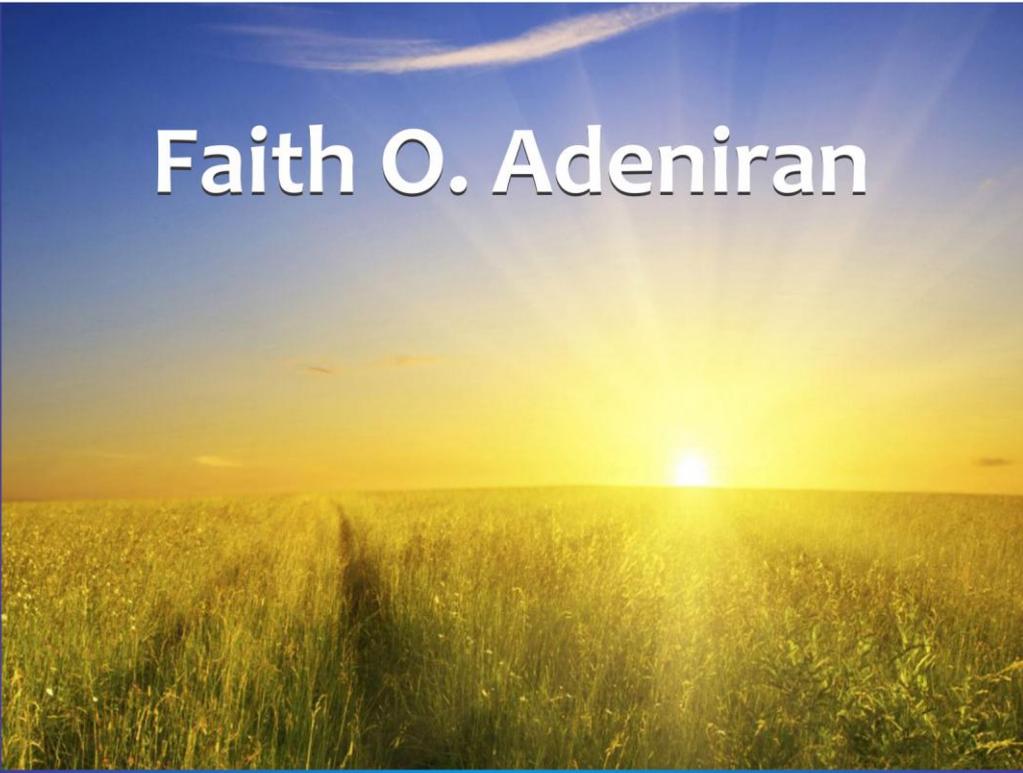


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Introduction

The desire to write this book was prompted by an observation which later developed into a source of concern. The cause of my apprehension; the alarming rate at which Christians stunt their own spiritual and physical growth by the negative and evil words they confess.

It is often said that a closed mouth is a closed destiny. I want to however add that a closed mouth is better than an open mouth that is pronouncing negativity. Many believers are ignorant of the power inherent in their words. Their present physical/spiritual state is a direct product of what they have confessed about themselves, and definitely, they cannot grow beyond their pronouncements whether good or bad.

If God can create the heaven and the earth by mere pronouncements, then it is possible for you likewise to create and shape your future by your words. You can make your world more conducive, create that peaceful ambience, that wealth, that good health, in short everything you so desire.

This book will help you discover the miracle that you can perform through your words. It will heal your tongue and the words that come forth from it.

Relax and be blessed. Mark the pages and make it your book, because it really is. If this book blesses you (it definitely will) order extra copies for your friends and your loved ones.

Enjoy your reading!

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Chapter 1

What is Confession?

A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled. Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

Proverbs 18:20-21

Confession has several meanings which includes the following: to witness to the truth that one believes in. It also means to proclaim, to declare, to speak forth, to verbalize, to profess to the things or truth one has embraced. It also means to testify to something one knows, or to affirm something one believes.

God has put power in your mouth, and He cannot help you beyond your declarations.

In the above scripture God said, “*A man’s belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth.*” Your words are a field which nurtures your seeds and brings forth the harvest.

You are the determinant of what you say, and what you say will determine the kind of fruits that your life will produce.

God Created by His Word

The power to create is in your mouth, because you were born by God who created heavens and the earth by His words.

The Bible says,

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

Hebrews 11:3

The whole world was created by the word of God. Likewise as His children, we can create or destroy our future by what we pronounce.

The problem of the church today is that we do not realize the power that God has put on the inside of us. There is power in your words which you need to discover. Your word is like a container that carries your miracles, whatever you

say, you have it. Your words are powerful, but when, the power of God acts on it, miracles are bound to happen.

There is a law of the spirit that says, *“Say it and see it.”* Without saying something out of your mouth, you cannot see anything manifesting in your life. (Genesis 13:14-15; Mark 11:23)

God used this principle of *say it and see it*, in the creation of the world. Nothing happened until God commanded.

There was no light or moon, stars, firmament, vegetation, fishes, animals, birds, day and night until God said, *“Let there be...”*

And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.
Genesis 1:2

That was the situation of the world from the beginning. It was full of darkness and was very void. But see what happened next.

And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.
Genesis 1: 3-4

Despite His supremacy as God, nothing came into being until He said it. In verse 2: God said, *“Let there be light.”* And in verse 3, God saw the light and said it was good.

If you want to see good things constantly happening in your life, and you want to see the darkness of your life turn into light, say it, and it will happen.

“...And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.”
Genesis 1:2

Here the Spirit of God was moving but nothing happened. No creation took place. Until you make the right pronouncements; the Holy Spirit will not do anything in your life.

He is waiting for you to speak that word, and, He will move and cause your words to happen in your life.

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of creation; yet He needs a word to move. Learn how to speak the word of God to every situation of your life and the Holy Spirit will create light around your life.

The phrase, “*And God said*” occurred nine times in the book of Genesis chapter 1. At the start of the nine verses God said, “*Let there be...*” it appears in (Genesis 1, verses 3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24, 26 and 29.) This confirms the fact that God created the world by making definite pronouncements which happened as He said it.

The power in your words, releases your miracles, the miraculous will surely come to pass in your life, if you confess it boldly with faith in your heart.

When God finished creation on the sixth day, he looked at everything He had declared over the six days and He saw that they were very good to behold.

And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Genesis 1:31

Say it and see it is a spiritual principle that can never fail, whenever or wherever you use it. It has been tried and tested by God; and it will never fail you too. The principle of God does not expire; it is the same yesterday, today and forever

Chapter 2

Say it and Have it

And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

Mark 11:22-23

Jesus taught us the most powerful principle about faith. He says, “*Whatever you say, you can have it.*” In other words, Say it and have it, keep quiet and it passes you by.

One day as Jesus and His disciples made their way to Bethany, He suddenly became hungry. He saw from afar a fig tree on which he hoped to find some fruits to eat. This suggests to me that Jesus Himself was flesh and blood like us; He had feelings and so could be hungry like any ordinary man. Jesus was not a Spirit while on earth; He performed all human functions like us.

In the same way that Jesus performed human functions, Pastors are also flesh and blood, they eat, drink and are susceptible to human faults just like any other normal person. So some times when pastors miss it and fall into sin, people should be less harsh in their criticisms.

Friends, men or women of God are not elevated humans or terrestrial beings like you think. It is the grace of God upon their life that makes them different.

When Jesus got to that tree and saw there were no fruits on it. He cursed it.

And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry: And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet. And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard it.

Mark 11:12-14.

The disciples were witnesses to what happened. Jesus must have deliberately cursed the tree to their hearing so as to teach them the principle of *say it in faith and have it.*

Don't whisper your words. Say it boldly with conviction, so that God can hear and approve it, so that the devil can hear it and shiver, so that the angels can hear it and act, so that men can hear it and be amazed.

When you are committed to what you say, then God will be committed to bringing the words to pass in your life.

And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.

Mark 11:20-21

In the morning, Peter alerted Jesus and said, Master, the fig tree you cursed yesterday has dried up. And Jesus said unto them, *"Have faith in God."* Or have God's kind of faith.

For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

Mark 11:23

Jesus has boldly declared that you can have whatsoever you say. i.e you can have whatever comes out of your mouth. When you say it, there may not be any physical proof that it will come to pass immediately. But wait for it because it will definitely come to pass.

The fact is this, the moment you say it, it is done. The physical manifestation will however come after some time. That is why you need to hold fast to your confession without wavering or doubting. The devil may want you to doubt and cause you to change your confession of faith. But hold on because it will surely come to pass.

When Jesus cursed the fig tree, nothing happened until the following morning when it dried up to the root. It happened first in the realm of the unseen before it happened in the physical realm. The fig tree dried up first under the ground before it dried up above the ground.

Sometime in 1992, in a small fellowship that I pastored, I preached a message titled, *"Say it and have it."* I told the people that there was power in their words and that the only hindrance to that power is the devil who would try as much as possible to deter them from confessing positive words. This is because he knows that Christians have the power to possess whatever they pronounce.

To prove my theory about the devil, I gave the congregation an assignment. I told them to challenge God with their needs or situation and to ensure that twice a day, i.e. in the morning and at night before going to bed, they should confess boldly at least for 10 minutes what the word of God says about their situation or need. They were to do this for seven days.

The following Sunday, I asked them about the assignment. To my amazement all were looking at me in a stupefied manner. After some minutes, one of them asked, "Pastor what assignment was that?"

Before I could answer, they suddenly remembered. After further probing, I discovered that it was only one sister that remembered to do the assignment which she didn't even finish.

God ministered to my heart the problem of the people: "My people have not, because they ask not."

The devil knows that miracles abound in your words, so he will try everything to stop you from confessing the word of God. You need to understand that blessings follow those who hear the word of God and do them.

Therefore we ought to give more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip.

Hebrews 2:1

What you hear may slip away from you, if you don't pay earnest attention to it. We should hold fast to the confession of our faith without wavering; for God is faithful; that which He has promised He will also do. Hebrews 10:23.

Apostle Paul encourages us to hold tight to what we have heard and not lose it because there is a tendency for the words to be easily drowned by the voices of our daily hustle and bustle. The same applies to the words we speak. Don't confess it once and stop. Continue to say it until the miracle happens.

God told Joshua not to allow the book of the law to depart from his mouth. Joshua 1:8.

In these last days, most of our battles are largely the battle of words. Your words carry your victory or your defeat. Your word is like a container that carries your miracle or your defeat; it depends on what you say out.

It is a tried and tested strategy that has worked for me. I have confessed the word of God many times and it has worked wonders for me. The word of God can never fail, because that word is God. For it to fail means God has failed.

Sometime in 2001, a growth developed on my left wrist, and began to increase gradually, until it became a cause for concern. So, I decided to seek medical advice. The medical verdict was that a surgery would be the best way to remove the growth.

I decided to put my faith to work by releasing dangerous scriptures of healing on the growth. Everyday when I woke up, I looked at the growth, quoted some scriptures on it and confessed my healing in Christ Jesus. This I did first thing in the morning and last thing at night before going to bed. During the day when my eyes stray to the spot, I speak the word of faith to it. I kept on doing this for about a year, until one morning, when I woke up and noticed that the growth had disappeared.

Beloved, your miracle can only be released by you speaking forth the word of faith. Many people fail because they confess the word once or twice and give up. No, it doesn't work like that. Because it is the word of faith and not an ordinary word, it might take some time before it finally manifests just like my own case.

Don't be weary in your confession of faith, continue in it. It will surely work for you. Abraham the Father of faith staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief but was strong in faith, giving glory to God. (Romans 4:18-20) You are the product of your words. You can only become whatever you confess.

I remember a story I once heard about a man who was a staff in one of the then leading banks in Lagos, Nigeria. He was well paid, yet the good salary he earned did not reflect on his lifestyle and this was attributable to his negativity.

His mantra was "*It is not easy.*" In a conversation of about five minutes with him, he will say, "*It is not easy*" more than ten times. That word had become a part of his life.

So accustomed was he to this phrase that you can be sure that any question you ask him would start and end with "*It is not easy*". He even ridiculously utters the same words to qualify his carrying out of such mundane tasks such as visiting the toilet or even drinking water!

Of course, in the physical sense things were never easy for him despite his huge take home pay. This was at a time when banking was the most envied profession and bankers were considered glamour boys and girls

Despite his deplorable condition brought about by his negative confession, he never relented in pronouncing the negativity into his own life .So accustomed was he to using the word that he eventually earned himself the sobriquet “*It is not easy*”. He became a direct product of what he confessed.

You can have whatever you declare either positive or negative. There is power in your tongue, and it produces life or death. You are the direct product of your words. What you say is what you become.

Chapter 3

Hold Fast to Your Confession

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)

Hebrews 10:23

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

Hebrews 4:14(ESV)

You need to learn how to hold fast to your confession because the devil, your number one adversary is ever ready to steal the confession from you.

To hold fast to your confession means, to keep on saying the same thing until the result comes. Jesus defeated the devil by His word. *“But He answered and said, it is written.”* (Matthew 4:4, 7, 10)

It is written in the book of Revelation that, *“They overcame him by the blood of the lamb, and by the word of their testimony.”* (Revelation 12:11) For a long time, I have known that my word is the devil’s defeat.

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

Hebrews 11:3

The world around you was created by the word of God. So, you can create your greatness by your words.

In Numbers 13:2, God told the children of Israel *“I have given you the land.”* But they never believed. They went into the land, tasted the fruits there and even brought some of the fruits back home for the people to see, to confirm the words of the Lord that the land was indeed flowing with milk and honey.

However, it was not everybody that tasted the milk, and enjoyed the fruit of the land. God does not want you to taste the fruits alone, he wants you to eat and enjoy everything that is in your promised land.

As a child of God, you must be ready to take up challenges, and fight the giants that are in your land of promise.

The Israelites did not take heed neither did they hold fast to the word spoken to them by the Lord concerning their land of promise.

And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it.

Numbers 13:27

God is not a liar, that He should speak a word and not do it. They saw the land that flowed with milk and honey as God has spoken it. But their problem was their confession.

But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we.

Numbers 13:31

Ten of the men who went to spy the land confessed that they were not ABLE and STRONG enough to possess the land. They destroyed their destiny with their proclamation.

And God said,

Say unto them, As truly as I live, saith the LORD, as ye have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you:

Numbers 14:28

None of these TEN men entered into the land of Canaan; they all died in the wilderness.

Your words can activate the power of God positively. A lot of people have destroyed their destiny with what they say like, "I am finished or I cannot make it."

Such words authorize the devil to do according to what you say, and God cannot do for you beyond what you have spoken.

Let Your Words be Few

Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few. Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; neither say thou before the angel, that it was an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine hands?

Ecclesiastes 5:2; 6

Whatever you pronounce is what God is committed to do; what His angels will follow. Out of about three million adults that came out of Egypt, only two who believed in God entered into the Promised Land.

And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.

Numbers 13:30

Caleb and Joshua were the two men who really tasted, entered, and ate the good of the promised land of Canaan. We know the names of the two men who confessed positively, but the names of other ten who confessed negative and unbelief were not mentioned in the Bible.

All the twelve men sent by Moses to spy the land of Canaan had names, but two of them made names for themselves by their faith in God.

David and Goliath

This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.

1Samuel 17:46

It is easy to discern how far a righteous man will go in life. Just watch his words. It will be full of optimism backed up by the relevant scriptures from the word of God.

David was a man of big words, he sent Goliath into his early grave through his confession. David told Goliath what he exactly desired to do to him. i.e. that he will kill him, cut off his head, and give his body to the beasts of the earth. This confession of David gave him his victory over his enemy.

Who is that Goliath that is threatening your destiny? I want you to stand up right now where ever you are and make a bold declaration of what you are going to do to it.

That Goliath must not have a last say over your life. Enough of the passive and laid back approach to life. Stand up and fight. Confront that Goliath now; give a graphic description of what you are going to do to it just like David did. Heaven is ready to back you up as you make the declaration in faith. You will testify in Jesus name.

The Bible says,

Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.
Proverbs 6:2

Your right confession can set you free just like your wrong confession can imprison you.

Reverend Kenneth E. Hagin once said that people can be located by what they say. So, your success or your failure is in the power of your tongue, as life and death is in your tongue. (Proverbs 18:21)

Lots of miracles abound in using the right words; make sure that you have the last say over your enemies.

Chapter 4

60 Truths about Word based Confession

1. If God can hold the world by His word, then we can hold our life by our words. Hebrews 1:3; Hebrews 11:3; Genesis 1:3
2. Your word is a container that carries your miracles; until you release it, you will never receive it.
3. Your words are full of miracles that can cause the power of God to create for you. Genesis 1:3
4. Your words can bind you and your word can set you free. Proverbs 6:2
5. Whether you will die or live depends on whatever you say about yourself. Proverbs 18:21
6. The word of God in your mouth is your weapon of warfare. Hebrews 4:12; Ephesians 6:17; Revelation 12:11
7. Your confession must absolutely agree with the word of God, before they can produce results for you. Mark 11:23
8. No man is greater than his word, if you see a man that will make it in life; it will show in his great words.
9. God and His word are one, so also, a man and his words are also one.
10. What you concentrate your time to confess will eventually become yours, either good or bad.
11. A perfect man is one that holds his life by his word, and has control over his tongue. James 3:2
12. What you say of the Lord is what He will become unto you. Psalms 91:2
13. A man of greatness is a man of great words.
14. People of negative words never obtain the promises of God.
15. God cannot do for you more than what He hears you say to Him. As you have spoken into His ears, so shall He do unto you. Numbers 14:28
16. What you confess with your mouth is what will really dominate your inner man.
17. Whatever comes out of your mouth is what you really believe. Matthew 12:34
18. If you talk about sickness and disease, it is because you believe in sickness and disease.
19. God exalts His words more than His name. So if you exalt God's word, you will be exalted.
20. Your confession increases your faith because the more you say it, the more you believe it. Romans 10:17
21. Your words can either build you up or pull you down.
22. We locate people by what they say; good or bad, positive or negative.

23. What is in your heart will be revealed by what comes out of your mouth. Your mouth will express what is in your heart. Proverbs 23:7; Matthew 12:34-35.
24. Your word can either justify or condemn you. Matthew 12:37
25. Your words reveal your faith level,
26. Your right confession will make the power of God available and call the attention of heaven to your aid.
27. Your right confession is the devil's defeat.
28. Your words command your angels to act on your behalf. Until you speak they will not act. Psalm 103:20
29. Your mountains are waiting for your words, until you move they will not move.
30. Your dry bones will never live, until you command life to enter into them. Ezekiel 37
31. There is tremendous power in your mouth that you have not yet discovered; until you begin to speak, you will never discover it.
32. If you can harmonize your confession with God's word, your life will be in harmony.
33. Confess what you can do in Christ, and what Christ can do through you, and not what the devil can do to you. Hebrews 13:5-6; Psalm 91:2
34. Until you confess your possession in Christ, you will not possess your possession, because confession leads to possession.
35. Your negative confession can paralyze your prayers; so also, your positive confession can strengthen your prayers. Mark 11:24
36. God has put grace on your lips and He will put His blessing on whatever you say. Psalm 45:1-2
37. What comes out of your mouth shows the condition of your heart, good or evil, healthy or sick. Matthew 12:35
38. Your word will reach your destination before you get there. Words are usually faster than you can imagine. Psalm 147:15; Matthew 8:13
39. Jesus says, you will have what you say and until you say it, you will never have it. Mark 11:24
40. Put blessing in your mouth and blessing will be delivered into your life. So also if you put curse in your mouth, the same will be delivered.
41. Your words will expose you to the purpose of God for your life, or expose you to the attacks of the enemy.
42. Your future is determined by the words that you speak every day.
43. No word of God in your mouth is void of power; it is only powerless when it is not spoken. Psalm 45:1-2
44. God releases His faith through His word, so also you can release your faith through your words. Genesis 1:1-3; Hebrews 11:1-3.

45. Your word is a spirit that is why you cannot see it, but you can see its effect physically. The word you speak forth will change from ordinary words to spirit word. John 6:63.
46. If you close your mouth, your life is closed. Your mouth can open up your life to breakthrough or breakdown. Some people are too quiet for God to act on their behalf.
47. If men would believe God's word, long prayers are not necessary. Just speak the word; your desire will come to pass.
48. God's creative power is given to men in word form. God's words are not void of power.
49. The creative power is produced from the heart, formed by the tongue and released out of the mouth in word form. Psalm 33:6
50. Faith filled words spark other faith in your heart, it releases other faith which are dormant and in active.
51. The word you speak will work first in the world of the spirit and then dominate the physical world.
52. Your faith is only released by speaking, if you don't fully speak, your faith will not be released. 2Corinthian 4:13
53. Whatever you say of the Lord is what He will become to you. If you say, He is weak; He will be weak in your life. If you say He is strong, He will be strong in your life. Psalm 66:3
54. You rise or fall to the level of your confession.
55. My words are part of me, just as God's word is part of Him.
56. If you have control over your tongue, you have control over your life.
57. The word of God is good and powerful. If you have the word, it is as good as you having Jesus. John 1:1-3, 14.
58. A continuous speaking of the word causes a registration in the heart, and then causes a result to come.
59. When you speak the word of God every opposition and contradiction, have no choice but to bow.
60. We don't see Jesus physically, but we have Him in word form. Therefore, whatever Jesus can do for you is what His word can also do for you. And what His word cannot do for you is not worth it.

Chapter 5

Why do People Confess Negatively?

As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.
Proverbs 26:2

There are many reasons why people, even Christians don't make positive confessions.

Some are just so addicted to the negative and find it difficult to just speak the right words.

You cannot be speak wrong words and expect to live right; it is not possible, because you must reap the fruits of your words. Therefore, until you change your words, your life cannot experience a change.

In this chapter, I will share with you ten reasons why people don't make positive confessions.

1. Ignorance of God's Word

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

Hosea 4:6

Many believers are literally passing through hell and the fault is not Gods. The reason is ignorance, which is as deadly as the most viral disease. Ignorance of what the word of God says about any situation often allows faithless Christians to align their thoughts with their circumstances and that is what they eventually echo from their mouth.

The Bible says, "*A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.*" (Proverbs 18:20)

Knowledge is the opposite of ignorance. Knowledge of what the word of God says about the any situation is the antidote to the problem no matter how grave.

A believer who knows what the Bible says about healing, will not speak about sickness, those who know what the Bible says about victory will not speak about defeat.

You cannot speak beyond what you know. I urge you to increase your knowledge of God's word so as to line up your confession with it.

Are you depressed, crushed and battered by life situation and forlorn of hope? Instead of saying "I have no hope, I am finished." Check out what Jeremiah 29:11 says about your future.

There is hope for every believer. In fact, the Bible says hope makes not ashamed, because the love of God is shed abroad in your heart by the Holy Spirit of God. (Romans 5:5)

Jesus has made it clear that a man will speak from the abundance of what is in his heart. (Matthew 12: 34)

That means whatever you programme into your mind to meditate upon is what you will declare. God wants you to meditate upon His word so that it can have dominance over your life. Speak positively and you will have positive results.

According to Bishop David Oyedepo, *"The quality of your thought, will determine the quality of your life."* God is handicapped by the words of many Christians, and He cannot do for them beyond what He hears them saying in His ears.

In Numbers 14:28; God said unto Moses, *"Say unto them, As truly as I live says the Lord, as ye have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you."*

Your next miracle is waiting for your next word, and if you can say it, you can have it. Jesus says, you can have whatsoever you say. (Mark 11:23).

Let your mind be renewed by the word of God. Many people's confession insinuate that the devil is powerful than God. It is a lie from the pit of hell. It is their ignorance of the word of God that suggests that to them.

Jesus told us in Matthew 28:18; "that all powers in heaven and on earth belong unto him and not the devil. The only power the devil has is the one that we give to him through our ignorance. There is no problem anywhere, the only problem a man has is his ignorance.

Apostle Paul said,

Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.
2Corinthians 2:11

The devil always uses people's ignorance to take advantage over them. He uses your word to fight you and to push you down. So also, God uses your words to bless you and to pull you up.

God and the devil are waiting for your next statement to honour it and bring it to pass..

2. Ignorance of Redemption

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Ephesians 1:7

Many believers do not know what Christ did for them. They don't know what they have, what they possess and what belongs to them as true children of God. And until they know, they will never enjoy the full benefits of those provisions of God.

According to Apostle Paul, Christ has redeemed us through His blood. Redemption is the complete package of the works of Christ on the earth. In our redemption package we have: healing, salvation, deliverance, forgiveness of sin, protection, safety, prosperity and so on.

When a believer knows that Christ has made healing available for him, he will never confess sickness. A believer who knows that Jesus has made provisions for his prosperity will never confess poverty.

You need to know what Christ has done for you, believe it and begin to put a demand on them by your words. Your word is a signature of acceptance of all that Christ has done for you. (Romans 10:8-10)

In Mark 11:24, the Bible says;

Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

Here Jesus said it emphatically that, if you have a need of anything in your life, and you have a strong desire to have it, then you can pronounce it in prayer and you will have it.

Reverend Charles Capps is one of the men whom God used to teach me about the power of the tongue. He mentioned that God once told him to go into two weeks of, "WORD FAST."

That is, he should just keep speaking the word of God for two weeks, to that particular area of his life that needed a change. And at the end of the second week, the Lord God gave him his desire.

According to him, before his miracle came, he just kept saying what the word of God said about that situation until it became a part of him. Then the word became true in his life at the end of it all. Praise God!

Beloved, I want you to start speaking about what has been done for you through Christ Jesus, until it is formed in your spirit and becomes a part of you. Then you will realize you have broken into the realm of faith that you never knew existed.

There is no scripture in the New Testament that says, we should pray for prosperity. All I see is that God has prospered us through Christ Jesus over 2000 years ago. *“You know how full of love and kindness our Lord Jesus was, though He was so very rich, yet to help you, He became so very poor, so that by being poor He could make you rich.”* (2Corinthians8:9)

To prosper, all you need to do now is to keep speaking and confessing the word of God on prosperity until your spirit is programmed and dominated with prosperity.

The word of God can never die. It is hanging in the spirit realm to create a miracle for you. That word is Jesus, and it is forever and ever settled in heaven and on earth. (Psalm119:89)

Dear reader, your words are more powerful than what you think; don't joke with it; don't let the devil force you to confess negative. Your words can break through your circumstances to give you a miracle!

3. Ignorance of the New Kingdom

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son.

Colossians 1:13

Naturally the slave would speak differently from the heir. We can identify a son and a slave by how they speak; positively or negatively, boldly or timidly.

You are no more in the kingdom or bondage of the devil. You are now in the Kingdom of God, where liberty is your birthright. But when you fail to

recognize your present location in Christ, you tend to confess negative as though you are still in the bondage of the devil.

Moreover, Apostle Paul says

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

1Peter 2:9

Christians need to speak like the free men that they are and not like bondmen. We are to stand in the liberty that we have in Christ Jesus, not entangle ourselves with words of bondage any more.

You need to speak like a new creature in light of your present position in the Kingdom of God. In the kingdom of the devil, what his subject have to say is sorrow, pain, sickness, death, lack, defeat, poverty, etc. But we thank God that through Christ Jesus; He has taken us away from the bondage of the devil into the Kingdom of His dear Son, Jesus Christ.

Therefore, our confession should change because our kingdom has changed. We should not confess the same way like those in the kingdom of darkness; our confession should be in line with our new Kingdom. That is; Peace, joy, righteousness, love, liberty, health, prosperity, victory, success etc. We need to know and be conscious of our new kingdom and we should begin to walk in the light of it.

4. Un-renewed Mind

And be renewed in the spirit of your mind

Ephesians 4:23

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Romans 12:2

Many believers today speak negative because of corrupt information that has been stored in their minds before they gave their life to Christ. And until that mind is renewed by the word of God, it will not produce the right confession.

When you give your life to Christ, you don't lose your minds and senses as the devil will want you to believe. (2Corinthians 5:17). Every believer has the mind of Christ. (Philippians 2:5) But there is no doubt about the fact that, our minds need to be renewed by the word of God.

The Bible says,

For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.

Proverbs 23:7

Man's mind was given by God to think, and if you can use it to think about healing, you will be healed. If you can use it to think about success you will succeed. You need to watch what you are thinking about, because you are a product of your thinking.

Jesus said,

O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

Matthew 12:34

Here it is clear enough that, if you think evil, evil will come, and if you think good, good will come also. If you think prosperity, prosperity will come, and if you think poverty, poverty will come. As a man thinks in his heart so is he!

Your mind is the battle ground and any battle you can win there, you can win in the physical. With your mind therefore, you can think and reason out whatever you want to say or do.

Don't think that because you are already born again in your spirit; your mind is not important. Salvation has everything to do with your mind and your spirit.

Don't neglect the power that God has put in your mind. Your prayer will open your spirit for divine information, and through your mind you will process that information for profitability, and when you speak it, your miracle is guaranteed.

Renew your mind daily with the word of God. When you work on your mind, through God's word you will be able to prove that which is good, acceptable and the perfect will of God. (Romans 12; 2)

All the junks, doubts, unbelief and foolish things you have stored inside your mind need to be deleted and reprogrammed with new things. Until the bad and negative information in your mind is changed, your words will not change.

What you say is the product of what you hear, think upon, and believe in your heart. Your mind is the manufacturing centre that processes any information before you say it.

5. Ignorance of Position with Christ

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

Ephesians 2:6

Another reason why some Christians confess negative is the fact that, they don't know their spiritual position i.e. that they are seated in heavenly places with Christ. Until the believer knows who he is in Christ, what belongs to him, and where his spiritual position is, he cannot be bold to confess positively.

We need to understand that, we are not in the same class or spiritual position with the devil. We are seated far above principalities and powers in heavenly places. Until we have this far and above mentality, we cannot confess positively and boldly, who we are and what we have in Christ Jesus.

Like I said in the previous chapters, many believers through their confessions uphold the devil to be powerful and mighty.

And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places. Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church.

Ephesians 1:19-22

The devil should not be an issue to any believer. His position is under our feet, to be trampled upon. But ignorance of our spiritual position with Christ makes the devil to become a big issue and concern to us. (John 3:31)

There is a difference between our physical and our spiritual positions. As believers we are geographically located in this world, but we don't operate with the principles of this world.

The Bible says,

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:

2Corinthians 10:3

Believers don't use the weapons of this world to fight battles, but use only the weapons of the kingdom to fight which are mighty through God for the pulling down of strong holds.

Our spiritual position should not be determined by our Intelligence Quotient (IQ) but what the word of God says.

When a believer entertains doubts about his spiritual location, then he is subjecting the validity of God and His words to fallacious interpretations.

Beloved, your belief or your opinion does not change the word of God. My advice is for you to reinforce your belief in the word of God, accept your spiritual position in Christ Jesus and begin to confess positive words in line with your position with Christ, and the devil will be totally defeated in your life.

Friends, we are seated with Christ Jesus in heavenly places. That is what God says in His word; so believe it, confess it and it will work for you.

6. Ignorance of the indwelling of the Greater One

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

1John 4:4

One of the things I learnt early in my Christian life is the recognition of the workings of the Holy Spirit.

When a believer doubts his ability to progress in life, he is simply unable to recognize the greater one that is on the inside of him that has the capability to help him succeed in life. The Holy Spirit is our helper, He wants to assist us to do what we cannot naturally do or accomplish.

If the unbeliever, has an assured confidence of success in the demonic powers of the devil, then you as a believer who possesses the Holy Spirit should demonstrate ten times the level of confidence of the unbeliever because the devil is under you.

In 1Corinthians 3:16, the Bible says, *Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?*

The indwelling of the Holy Spirit in your heart will definitely not allow any negativity in your life.

I remember a testimony that was shared by one of my Pastors when I was in the University. According to him, a certain brother who believed God for some breakthroughs in his ministry decided to engage in a fasting and prayer exercise.

One particular evening as he wanted to break his fast, a dog from the neighborhood dashed in and began to eat his food while he was distracted.

Incensed by the effrontery of the dog and probably by hunger too, the brother in a loud voice pointed to the dog and commanded “Dog dry up and die.” The dog jumped down from the table, stretched itself, died, and dried up immediately.

The narrative above is a classic example of how powerful our words can be. King Solomon said, life and death are in the power of the tongue. (Proverbs 18:21). Every word that comes out of your mouth has a force. Speak negative and the demons will act on it. Speak positive and the angels will act on it. Your confession will shape your world. Say what you desire to come to pass for you and it shall surely be in Jesus name, as long as it is backed up by the word of God. Most negative confessions come in by habit, and idle talk.

The Apostle of faith, Smith Wigglesworth used to say, “I am a million times bigger on the inside, than I am on the outside.” I want to submit to you that you are more than who you think you are. There is a giant on the inside of you that you have not yet discovered.

7. They Don't Understand Righteousness

For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

2Corinthians 5:21

What is righteousness? Righteousness is having a right standing with God. It is being in the presence of God without having any sense of sin, guilt, condemnation, or inferiority complex.

Many believers do not know who they are in Christ Jesus. They don't know that they have right standing before God to rule and to reign.

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.

James 5:16-18

Elijah, one of the Old Testament righteous men, was because of his right standing with God, able to lock up heaven, so that there was no rain at all in Israel.

He did this under his self made righteousness, which was by the works of the law. How much more we who operate under the New Covenant and have righteousness by faith, imputed upon us by God through Christ. Shouldn't we be able to do much more? (2Corinthians 5:21)

The righteousness we have now is not the one that we worked for or labored to get, it is freely given to us by God through Christ Jesus. This gift of righteousness that we have makes us to be in the same class with God the Father, Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit.

Therefore if a Christian does not know the force of righteousness that he has, he begins to talk negative and condemn himself through his words. But for those who have the understanding of this force of righteousness, they will always confess positively.

I have heard many believers who confess about themselves that they are not holy, they are unrighteous, they are sinners, unworthy, sick, weak etc. Their major problem is that they don't understand what righteousness is all about. Also they don't understand the benefits and privileges of righteousness.

We in the New Testament Church should be able to do much more than Elijah and all the Old Testament saints did. If Elijah, by a single command, was able to stop rain from falling for three and half years and God granted it, then the New Testament believer should be able to do much more through God.

Furthermore, if Joshua could speak to the moon and it stood still; If Elijah could speak on Mount Camel and fire came down from heaven, then we who have the Holy Spirit in us can do more dangerous things.

I believe it will not be only fire that will come down, hail stones, smoke, whirlwind, thunder etc; will follow suit. There is power in your words that can cause the impossible to become possible.

In Luke 9:51-56; when Jesus and His disciples were refused entry into Samaria, James and John said to Jesus, "*Why, can't we call down fire from heaven and consume this people as Elijah did?*" Look at Jesus response.

But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village.

Luke 9:55-56

In other words Jesus was telling them that if they knew the kind of spirit they had in them (disciples) they would not have made such a dangerous demand. It simply means that by just saying it; fire can literally fall down from heaven on the Samaritans.

So Jesus warned them to be careful of the kind of words that they utter. In James 3:5-6 Apostle James likened the tongue to a little fire which when kindled, can set the whole house on fire.

You need to understand the force of your righteousness and learn how to walk in it. It makes you to be in the class of God and to do exactly what God can do. Your words are powerful and result oriented, because of the force of righteousness that works in you. Your word is like the word of God.

8. Bad Companies

Keep company with the wise and you will become wise. If you make friends with stupid people, you will be ruined.

Proverbs 13:20(GNB)

Show me your friends and I will know the kind of person you are. Your language will definitely be influenced by the characters you move with. The longer time you spend in the company of negative minded people the more they will tend to influence you to speak like them.

Solomon said,

Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

Proverbs 27:17

Your friends can sharpen you to think negatively. It may not be immediately but constant exposure to their negativism will gradually make incursions into your spirit man and very soon you may begin to echo it through your mouth and infect others too.

Apostle Paul also said,

Do not be fooled. "Bad companions ruin good character."

2Corinthians 15:33(GNB)

Many good people have become bad because of the bad people they associate with. In King James Version of the Bible, the above scripture says, "*Be not*

deceived: evil communication corrupt good manners.” (1Corinthians 15:33(KJV)

Unnecessary association with negative speaking people will in due time corrupt your language, your action and your entire way of your life.

Friendship is powerful and it is one of the factors that will determine your success in life and ministry. My honest advice is this: choose good friends who are known for positive confession, relate with them, walk with them, and you will succeed with them.

Friendship is not by force, but by choice. Therefore choose the best of friends and you will succeed.

9. Family Background

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6

Parents determine how the outlook of the home would be. Parents, whose lives are not nourished with God's word, cannot have anything positive to say in the presence of their children. They will often engage in negative talks that cannot edify the lives of their children.

The children will inherit the negative words and won't see anything wrong in repeating such words because it is a norm in their homes.

Parents are trainers, either by words, deeds or by examples. Whatever children hear from them is what they will carry over into their personal life.

The Bible urges parents to train their children in the ways of the Lord, so that when they are old they will not depart from it. Some parents don't know that their conscious or unconscious actions affect the character of their children.

When I was in high school, I had a friend who always confessed negatively. He would always curse, abuse and speak naughty words. I tried to correct him many times, but it was in vain and I later discovered that all his younger brothers and sisters also spoke like him.

One day I went to his house, and I discovered the root of their negativity. They could not utter one sentence without cursing, abusing and using all sorts of negative words. Immediately I realized that the problem of my friend was his mother from whom he had copied the bad attitude..

As a pastor, anytime I discover my members have problems of negative speaking, I do not look far to locate the source of their problem. Their homes, the kind of friends they keep, the kind of programmes they watch on the TV or listen to on the radio.

Those three places I mentioned are the major sources of information. And for any Christian to change his confession, he must first change the sources.

I admonish all parents to always speak good and optimistic words in their homes; so as to make it conducive for their children to grow in a positive environment and imbibe the habit of speaking good words, in their community and their personal life.

10. Economic Background

Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

Habakkuk 3:17-18

The economy of most nations especially third world countries like Nigeria has turned them most of the citizenry to negative speakers.

The above scripture shows us the example of a man called Habakkuk who was a farmer. He suffered a terrible business failure and economic downturn in his days. His farm did not yield harvest and all his labour turned to waste. Yet he said he will rejoice in the God of his salvation.

If per chance some 21st century Christians find themselves in Habakkuk's shoes, I guess their response would have been to storm the gates of heaven with their complaints, murmurs and grumbles expressed with acerbic negative words.

Words like: "things are hard, life is difficult, I am broke, I am finished..." should not be our confession. We should not allow the economy to dictate our choice of words. Rather the word of God dictate should be our standard.

Several times over, I have tried to help some Christians to change their words and discouragingly some still glory in saying things like "I am broke" "I am sick" etc. I believe there are better ways you can tell somebody that you need money than to say I am broke.

The Bible says, *“Let the weak say, I am strong.”* (Joel 3:10) Even though you are weak financially, you can still say, I am strong financially, because the Bible commands you to say so.

In 2Kings 4, there was a story of the rich Shunammite woman who took good care of Elisha and his servant Gehazi. The woman was barren and she and her husband were advanced in age. But when she ministered to the needs of the man of God – Elisha, he said unto her, *“Woman what is your need that I may give unto you?”*

In a nutshell, he got to know that she was barren and she needed a child. Then Elisha gave her a word of prophecy and she gave birth to a son, according to the word of the Lord.

But after some years, this boy became sick and died. She ran back to the man of God on Mount Carmel. When Elisha saw her, he sent his servant to her to enquire whether all was well with her child and husband. Let us look at this woman’s response:

Run now, I pray thee, to meet her, and say unto her, Is it well with thee? is it well with thy husband? is it well with the child? And she answered, It is well.

2Kings 4:26

Beloved, you can see that the woman did not allow her desperate situation to affect her confession. She still maintained a good and positive confession.

Don’t let your problem dictate to you, but rather dictate to your problem. The woman knew that, there was power of life and death in her tongue and that the solution to her problem can be determined by her words.

I believe if every believer can change their words, their situation will soon change. Miracles abound in your words.

Chapter 6

Healing of the Tongue

Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.

Jeremiah 17:14

The word healing means: to become well again, after being hurt. It also means to cause something to return to health. Healing also connotes been cured or to recover from sickness back to health.

We have seven openings into our head, which are the doors into our life. These seven openings can be divided into four groups, which are: two eyes, two ears, two nostrils, and one mouth. Out of these seven openings to our head, one opening (the mouth) is more powerful and dangerous than them all. The mouth can cause more problems than the other six openings.

The Bible says,

A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.

Proverbs 15:4

If a man uses his tongue rightly, it produces life for him. There is no man that talks wrong and expects his life to be right. It is not possible. Only right tongue produces right life.

Many people have killed their life and destiny with their tongue. Our tongue is the decisive member for our life and death. That was why King Solomon said that death and life is in the power of the tongue. (Proverbs 18:21)

God has put his grace on our lips, it does not matter if we say it consciously or unconsciously, so far we say it, it will determine life and death, positive or negative.

There is a divine connection between the mouth and the heart. I believe that is why the Bible says we should guard our heart with all diligence for out of it are the forces that controls life. (Proverbs 4:23)

Your tongue is like the steering wheel of a car or a rudder that controls a ship. As big as a ship and an aeroplane are, they are controlled by small things. So also your mouth can control and direct the affairs of your life.

The Bible says,

O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

Matthew 12:34

That statement by Jesus rightly tells us that what comes out of our mouth shows the state and condition of our heart, good or bad, healthy or sick.

The following conversation once ensued between a business man and me sometime ago:

“No business can survive in this city, things are too hard here.”

“How would things not be hard for you when you have just confessed it to be so? You will definitely reap the fruits of what you say.” I replied

“Pastor I don’t mean that; I just said things are hard generally”.

“A lot of people say things they don’t mean. Please if you don’t mean it, don’t say it, because it can cost you your life.” I warned.

Actually, I believe he meant it, because that was the condition of his heart and his mouth just revealed what was in his heart, at that point in time.

Does my Tongue need Healing?

Many do not know that their tongue need healing. There is no way you can help a man or a woman that does not know that he or she needs help.

A man may not know the importance of a doctor, until he becomes sick. Until a man realizes he has a problem, he does not begin to seek for solutions. When a Christian begins to notice some abnormalities in his language, evidently he needs help.

Symptoms of a Sick Tongue

1. Flattery
2. Lies/exaggerations
3. Gossip
4. Hastiness of Speech

5. Excessive Talking
6. Idle Words
7. Careless Words
8. Abusiveness
9. Froward tongue
10. Back Biting or Black mailing

When you notice any of the above in your words, it is an indicator that your tongue needs healing.

How to Heal the Tongue

1. Guard Your Mind

Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

Proverbs 4:23

The dictionary meaning of the word guard means the state of watchfulness against attack and danger. It also means the attitude of readiness to defend oneself.

The Bible encourages us to guard our heart with all diligence because what governs our life comes from our heart. We need to guard our mind so jealously because what controls our mouth is our mind.

Your mind is the manufacturer that processes every word that comes out of your mouth. Every right minded man says what is in his mind. It is only a fool and a mad man that does not think before he talks.

Apostle Paul gave us the things we should think upon.

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Philippians 4:8

All these things can be used as a standard for whatever we meditate upon. When a man knows the importance of his heart he will make serious and conscious efforts to guard it from all evils.

Forces of Life

Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.

Matthew 15:11

In the above scripture the scribes and the Pharisees came to Jesus, condemning His disciples for not washing their hands before eating bread.

If you this chapter very closely, you will find out that the Pharisees came to Jesus to defend their tradition. The Jews have a tradition that before one eats one must wash ones hands very well, from the fingers to the elbow. Anything contrary to that will make such a man unclean and the food would defile him.

But Jesus contradicted the tradition of the Jews in the statement he made in the scriptures above.

In other words, it is the word that comes out of a man that destroys him. The forces of life are in the mouth of every man. And if a man can guard what is going on in his heart, he will surely speak positively all the time.

Your heart is the source from where your words are fashioned. Your heart always possesses what your mouth will say, that is why the Bible warns us to guard it with all diligence, because from it, are the forces or power that rule the world.

Jesus concluded by saying,

But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man .For out of the heart proceeds evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.

Matthew 15:18-20

It is imperative to guard your heart and try as much as possible to renew your mind with the word of God, so that it can affect the kind of word that comes out of your mouth. Your mouth is what defiles or destroys your life and not anything else.

2. Set a Watch on your Lips

Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

Psalms 141:3

The second thing you should do in the healing process of your tongue is to set a watch on your lips. That is, you should mind what you say,

You can attain this by avoiding hastiness of speech. You must learn how to control your tongue, examine your word before you say it out of your mouth. Many people are too quick to speak, they don't even think before they speak, and it has cost them so much.

Apostle James says,

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.

James 1:19

I have discovered that most wise men are slow to speak, but quick to hear and when they speak; their words are full of wisdom and life. You need to discipline yourself not to speak in haste all the time. Learn how to listen and think before you speak. To achieve this will take you making a conscious effort to monitor all the words that come out of your mouth.

The Bible says,

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.

Psalm 39:1

A bridle is an instrument used to tame the head and mouth of a horse to control it. So, if we can watch our tongue and tame it, our whole body will also fall into control.

3. Never confess Negative

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

Matthew 12:37

The third thing you have to do is never to confess the negative. There is tendency for you to confess negative because of the negative circumstances surrounding your life. But you need to guard your mind and tame your tongue from such negative words.

What many people do not know is that, their words can bind them and in the same manner set them loose. Not only that, their words can condemn or justify them.

He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.

Proverbs 13:3

Nobody likes destructions, but many people open their life to destructions and danger by the words of their mouth. When you carry out a statistics of words that people speak in a day, you will find out that 75% of the words are filled with doubts and negativities.

The scripture should be the guide to your words. God cannot help you beyond the words of you say. And whatever God hears you say, is what He will be committed to do for you.

Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.

Proverbs 6:2

Your words can set you free or imprison you. Your word has tremendous power to change your situation, so practice right confession mixed with faith in God. Your words will change your situation if you are committed to it. Never confess the negative or doubt the integrity of the word of God.

4. Harmonize your Word with God's Word

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Colossians 3:16

When the word of Christ dwells in you richly, then your confession can be in total harmony with the word of God.

The level of the word of God in you, will determine the level of the 'word' confession that will come out of your mouth. Meditation on God's word is the sole responsibility of every true child of God.

For instance, a man that knows what the word of God says about healing will not say, "I am sick", because sickness is not in line with the word of God. Moreover, the word of God has said we should not say we are sick. (Isaiah 33:24)

The Bible also says,

Who has bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed own self.

1Peter 2:24

What the word of God says is that we should not say we are sick. Why? Because according to the Bible, we were healed over 2000 years ago by Christ Jesus. When you hear a Christian confess that he is sick, it shows that his word meditation level is low hence his ability to confess such negative words.

Your confession can never be in harmony with the word of God until you let that word dwell in your heart richly. When you harmonize your confession with the word of God, miracle happens.

5. Confess Victory before you see it

And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.

Numbers 13:30

There is a law of the spirit that says, "Say it and see it" Victory continually eludes some people because they never confess it.

All the children of Israel that left Egypt died in the wilderness, except Caleb and Joshua who knew the power of positive confession. Ten out of the twelve spies that Moses sent to spy the land of Canaan came back with evil report. They said they were not able to possess the land because of the giants. But two of them who had another Spirit said, "We are able to possess the land."

You know the end of the story; those ten men never saw victory, because they never confessed it. But the other two who confessed victory saw it happened in their life.

The spoken word cannot be seen because it is a spirit, but it is powerful and its effect can be seen in the physical. Words cannot be limited by distance; your word will reach its destination before you get there.

In Matthew 8:8-13; the centurion told Jesus not to bother to come to his house and heal his servant, that he should just speak the word and his servant shall be made whole. Jesus then spoke the word and the servant was made whole before the centurion got home. There is no distance in the spirit, your word is a spirit and it carries your miracle along to its destination.

Therefore, those who confess victory always see it. David never saw victory until he said it. So keep saying what you want to see, and never say what you don't want to see in your life.

6. Hold fast to your Confession of Faith

Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

Hebrews 4:14

In the previous chapters I explained that the word, “*Profession*” used here is mostly used interchangeably in King James Version of the Bible for the word “confession” which simply means to say the same thing over and over again. It is an act of repeating the same word as many times as possible.

Your word is a seed that produces after its kind, don’t ever sow with your mouth the kind of crops you don’t want to harvest. For every man will reap the fruits of his lips.

The word of God is active, irrespective of the length of time, it will never return back void, it will definitely come to pass.

The devil is a liar and the father of lies. He may want to discourage you from believing the integrity and validity of the word of God. The word of God always moves swiftly to perform that which you have sent it forth to perform and it shall accomplish its purpose. (Psalm 145:15, Isaiah 55:8-11)

God is watching over His word to see it come to pass in every area of your life. Just hold fast unto it and don’t confess the negative, it will definitely come to pass at the end. (Jeremiah 1:12)

7. Confront Negative Words With Faith Words

And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field.

1Samuel 17:44

The Bible called the devil a deceiver who always tempts, to distort our confession. He always wants to fill our minds with various negative thoughts, doubts, and unbelief. He may also show you the physical proofs that contradict your faith confession, just in an attempt to discourage your faith in the word of God.

However, you need not to give in to the temptations of the devil. You should not be ignorant of his devices, when it comes. Goliath (a form of devil) threatened David with defeat and death but was eventually defeated.

Don't allow your enemy to boast at all of his strength and ability. You should quickly take over and put the situation back under your control, by confronting it with the word of faith.

That was what David did; he quickly took over from Goliath and started confessing what the God of Israel can do for him; how he would kill Goliath in the name of His God, and cut off his head and give his body to the birds of the air.

Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.

1Samuel 17:45-46

We should not allow our enemies to have the last word over our life. David changed the negative confession of Goliath, and turned it to his advantage. That is what God is expecting from us when the devil tempts us to doubt the word of God and to confess negative.

God wants us to be bold with our positive confession and take over from the devil and use His word to our advantage. Truly, there is a miracle in your mouth. Release it by speaking it forth.

8. Praying In Tongues Always

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,
Jude1:20

The last way you can heal your tongue is by speaking in tongues always. This will help you to tame your tongue and keep it under the control of the Holy Spirit.

When you pray in tongues, your tongue will become healed by the Holy Spirit of God who is the healing Spirit of God. I have discovered that when I pray in tongues often, I find it very difficult to speak negative words or make evil pronouncements. Too much talk leads to evil and wrong words.

Solomon testified that,

You will say the wrong thing if you talk too much-- so be sensible and watch what you say.
Proverbs10:19(CEV)

Not only that, when I pray in tongues often, I notice that I find it very difficult to talk much in the natural with people, and the few times I speak, they are words of wisdom, comfort, encouragement that can build up hope, faith and future in the ears of those that listen to me.

Apostle Paul says,

Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

Ephesians 4:29

There is a grace that proceeds out of your mouth when you speak. I believe when we pray in tongues, our tongue becomes anointed with the increase of God's grace upon it.

The Bible called the Holy Spirit our helper, and I am sure that He can help to sanctify speech. The grace of God on our lips can heal the sick; it can bless or curse, depending on how we use it.

David said,

Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.

Psalm 45:2

God poured His grace on our lips that we should release it to bless and not to curse, to build and not to pull down. Therefore, keep releasing the grace that is on your lips to bless your generation. You will be surprised at what you will see happening around you.

The Holy Spirit is called the Spirit of grace and when you pray in tongues often, He will help you to speak forth the word of grace alone. He will help you to tame and control your tongue from speaking or confessing evil or negative words. When you pray in tongues always, it will help you to confess positive words.

Let us see what Apostle James says about the tongue,

We humans are able to tame and have tamed all other creatures---wild animals and birds, reptiles and fish. But no one has ever been able to tame the tongue. It is evil and uncontrollable, full of deadly poison.

James 3:7-8(GNB)

The reason many people fail in their quest to tame their tongue is because they want to do it with the arms of flesh. This is impossible, you can only try, but you won't succeed at it. The reason being that no man can tame the tongue; it takes the help of the Holy Spirit to do it.

All the information in this book will not bless you if you don't acknowledge the Holy Spirit as your supreme helper so that He can help you control your tongue.

No human power can do it; it is the power of the Holy Spirit that can get it done. He is the healing Spirit; He can heal your tongue, and keep it healed by His power. However, Apostle James says he that has control over his tongue is a perfect man. (James 3:2)

These eight things I have shared with you on how to heal your tongue, can work for you, if you dare to put them into practice. You are the next person to share your testimony. There is a miracle in your mouth!

Chapter 7

Miracles in Your Mouth

For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

Mark 11:23

Your words are loaded with miracles from the bosom of the Father, and you can have whatsoever you say. Your mouth is a container that carries your miracles, and until you release those words, your miracles will not be released.

God's word in your mouth is as powerful as it is in the mouth of God. God's word is quick and powerful, sharper than any two edged sword. (Hebrews 4:12) Confession of God's word is taking His words back to Him in remembrance of His promises for our lives.

You are the product of what you say. You cannot be greater than your words. If you want to change your life you must first change your words.

It is not your prayer that works; it is the word and faith that works. Prayer won't make faith work; it is your faith that makes prayer work. (Mark 11:24) We need to get this straightened out, Faith will work without prayer. But prayer won't work without faith.

Rev. John Osteen was one of the Generals of God in America whose books and tapes have been a tremendous blessing to me and many other believers across the world. In one of his books, he shared the testimony about a woman who had cancer who came to the church service to be prayed for. According to him, no visible healing took place when he prayed for her, but he told her to keep on confessing every day, "*By His stripes I am healed.*" And so she one day got her total healing just by confessing the word of God in faith.

Friends it won't just happen overnight. It won't just happen because you said it once or twice. It is going to happen just because you say it continually, affirming what God's word says, until it gets into your spirit man and becomes a part of you.

In some cases it will require you to say it for weeks and months before the results come. That is why Apostle Paul said, we should lay hold on the word of our confession without wavering. (Hebrews 10:23)

The Word Works

Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.
Jeremiah 1:12

The word needs to be put into confession form before it works. Many times our prayers agree with the word, but our confession afterwards does not agree with it. In most cases we defeat our long prayers with our negative confession.

Too many Christians help the devil to fulfill his mission on the earth, by speaking in agreement with him. And when you help him to establish his works by saying it, then you are held bound by them. (Proverbs 6:2) What comes out of your mouth is what defiles you and gets you into bondage.

Jesus said no man is defiled by what goes into him. Every man is defiled by what comes out of his mouth. (Matthew 15:11-19)

Words are spirit that is why they can't be seen, but their effect can be seen and felt. Their impact can be seen in the physical world.

Jesus said,

It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

John 6:63

When a man has God's word abundantly abiding in his heart and speaks it forth by faith, he speaks spirit words that works first in the realm of the spirit and then dominate the physical world.

The words you speak are truly spirit words full of power and life. When the dry wind of doubt begins to blow, just proclaim more boldly that which you hear in your spirit, and as you boldly confess it, it will kill the strength of doubt in your heart. Faith filled words spark other faith, it releases other faith which are dormant and in active in your spirit.

Let me give you an instance, sometimes in 1998, I was preaching in an outreach meeting in an open field. As soon as I finished preaching the word, I made an altar call for those who needed healing. Many sick people came out to be prayed for. As soon as I finished praying for them, a young girl became healed of a

lingering ear problem and that testimony was a booster for my faith and for the faith of many other sick folks.

That night we had a harvest of miracles. The reason was that, the testimony released other faith which were dormant and inactive in my heart and in the heart of the crowd, that God can do much more miracles than that. Christianity is called a great confession. As a child of God we need to imitate God and speak like Him. (Ephesians 5:1)

I once read a book titled Church Growth Manual, a publication of Church Growth International Seoul, Korea of which the pastor of one of the largest churches in the world, David Yonggi Cho is the president.

In the book Dr. David Cho shared a powerful testimony that really blessed me. A woman that had cancer in her esophagus came to Dr. Cho's office. She had been prayed for earlier but did not get healed.

So she came again with intense pains. The pastor told her not to mind the pains or the cancer itself, but she could not, because she was feeling it.

Then pastor Cho gave her an assignment. He said she should go into the prayer mountain house with a note book to write 1Peter 2:24, 10,000 times and as she was writing it she should also speak it out loud to herself.

This woman went as she was commanded by the man of God. According to pastor Cho, it took her one whole week before she finished the assignment. When she finished, she went to the pastor's office with faith birthed in her heart; dream of her healing in her heart, her note pad in her hand.

This time around, there was an un-usual joy in her face and the man of God asked her, "What happened to your cancer of the esophagus?" She replied, "No pain." Why do you have a clear voice? Pastor Cho asked

"Pastor, I did not know that I was healed. I was so busy writing down this verse, so busy confessing the word of God, so busy seeing myself healed that I completely forgot about cancer. I am healed!" She said responded. She was completely healed.

She got healed of the cancer by just confessing the word of God! If believers can give 100% attention to the word of God and confess it with faith in their heart, mountains will be moved in their lives.

Finally pastor Cho said, *“You may have all the faith in your heart, but if you do not release it by speaking, that faith is going to remain dormant in your heart.”* In other words it is your confession that releases your faith, before your miracles can be released.

Can you imagine somebody confessing “by His stripes I am healed 10,000 times”? That word must have saturated her spirit, soul and body. It takes a serious minded person to do that kind of an assignment.

The word of God is medicine according to Proverbs 4:20-22. But you need to learn how to release that word from your mouth with faith in your heart.

David said, God sent His word and it healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. Therefore if that word will heal you or deliver you, it must be sent forth with your mouth, the way God sent it forth with His mouth. (Psalm 107:20)

When many believers get sick, the first thing that comes to their mind is the kind of drugs to take. And if the sickness persists for more than two days, they start contemplating on how to see their doctor for medical examinations and treatments without considering what the word of God says about healing.

Their belief is that the treatment from their doctor is easier and quicker than the word of God. They think that the principle of healing by faith through the word of God is a long process that cannot be easily attained.

Friends, don't wait for the time that the doctors will not be able to solve your problem before you start applying your faith for healing. What would you do if you find yourself in a situation where you don't have an access to a doctor or you have an incurable disease that defies all medical treatment?

I will advise you to begin to use your faith now. Don't allow your situation to push you to the wall, before you start learning how faith works.

People tend to pay serious attention to the advice given to them by their medical doctors than to the instruction of faith by their Pastors. If the doctor tells them to use 60 tablets in two days, which must be used every hour, they will strictly follow the instruction to the letter.

However if their pastor tells them to apply the word of God for their healing, they will not be as diligent in carrying it out as the doctor's advice. This is done with the wrong notion that it is too difficult to apply the word of God every hour of the day.

If every believer can seriously take the advice of their pastor as they take the word of their doctors, I believe this world will be the best place to live in and life will be better for us all. We can recreate the world around us by our words.

Words are Creative

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

Hebrews 11:3

God releases His faith in word. This word you say cannot come to pass just because you say it. You must say it with faith in your heart.

Spoken words programme your spirit (Heart) either for success or for defeat. Words are containers, they carry your faith or your fears, and they produce after their kind.

Faith becomes sparked up within you when you speak, quote and confess God's word to yourself.

If men would believe God's word, long prayers to receive our request would not be necessary, except for the purpose of intercession for others. Just speaking the word would bring what you desire to come to pass. God's creative power is given to men in the word form. God's word is not void of power but God's people are void of speaking. (Isaiah 55:9-10, Psalm 119:89)

God said to Isaiah no word of mine is void of power; it is only powerless when unspoken. Confess victory in the face of apparent defeat, confess abundance in the face of apparent lack, and confess healing in the face of apparent sickness. Then you will see God in action in your situation.

In Mark 11:23, Jesus said we shall have whatsoever we say; but the people of God are saying what they have already. Don't say what you have, confess what you don't have into existence and it shall be given unto you. There is creative power in words when you speak it out of your mouth, it produces tremendous results

In conclusion, I will say that you should not let any man, woman or prophet portend for your life anything that is contrary to the word of God. If anybody gives you prophecy that is not in line with the word of God, you must nullify it immediately with the word of God.

The Bible says,

No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

Isaiah 54:17

Words are powerful; don't let the devil have the last say over your life. You must overthrow every negative word of the devil spoken over your life. Goliath spoke negative words to David, but David turned those words around for his advantage by speaking positive words of his victory over him.

Words move faster than the speed of light, or sound. It will reach its intended destination as soon as you say it, but its manifestation will show forth in due season.

Your words will work for you, if you dare to speak it out with faith from your heart. You are the product of your word and you cannot be greater than your words.

There is a miracle in your mouth; release it now!

Do you want to confess Jesus as your Lord and personal Saviour?

Say this prayer now.

Lord Jesus, I come to you today. I am a sinner and I cannot help myself. Forgive me my sins and wash me and cleanse me with your blood, which you shed for me. Come into my life and reign and deliver me from sin and Satan. Write my name in the book of life. Thank you for saving me. In Jesus name I pray. Amen!

Have you prayed this prayer? Congratulation, you are now a Born Again Christian.

I encourage you to join any Bible believing Church close to you for your further growth in Christ.

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