

You'd Better Watch Your Mouth - God Is!

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Words are just words. Right? How is it that some words can be classified as “acceptable” to speak and other words are “unacceptable” to speak? How can most words in the English language be normal, ordinary words but a select few be pulled out and deemed “vulgar” or “profane”? If God does not specify which words are appropriate and which ones are not, how can I know the difference?

Obviously, with words having different meanings in different languages around the world and in different cultures throughout the centuries, the Bible could not possibly list all profane words for all languages in all cultures for all time. But, God does categorize, in principle, words that He deems unacceptable, and with careful and honest study, “The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable” (Prov. 10:32). You know words that fit the following:

God condemns “corrupt” words (Eph. 4:29). These are words that are rotten, “bad, evil, unwholesome, in a moral sense.” You know words like this.

God condemns “foolish talking” (Eph. 5:4). These are words that are “foolish, dull, stupid.”

God condemns “coarse jesting” (Eph. 5:4). This denotes a “risqué wit” that utters vulgar or off-color jokes.

God condemns “filthy language” (Col. 3:8). “Filthiness” is condemned in Ephesians 5:4 as a “behavior that flouts social and moral standards, shamefulness, obscenity.” In Colossians 3:8, the focus is on “speech of a kind that is generally considered in poor taste, obscene speech, dirty talk” that is considered shameful.

God condemns words that “allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness” (2 Pet. 2:18). These are words that paint pictures and lead to thoughts of “unbridled lust, indecency, wantonness” and illicit sexual desires and conduct.

God condemns “malicious words” (3 John 10). These are words that are “morally or socially worthless, wicked, evil, bad, base, vicious, degenerate.”

Knowing that God is aware of every syllable that proceeds from my tongue and that I will be judged for every word I speak (Matt. 12:36), my prayer should be, “Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer” (Psa. 19:14). **God can and will help you!**

NEWSLETTER

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Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Bible Study	9:45 AM
Sunday AM Worship	11:00 AM
No Sunday PM Service	
Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study	10:00 AM
Wednesday PM Bible Study	7:00 PM

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If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you) so we may have a record of your visit. Later in the service we will pass around a collection plate. As a visitor you are obviously not expected to give but we would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in the collection plate. Thanks.

There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs for infant care.

Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent during Bible study and worship.



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We rejoice with the angels in heaven! **Logan Bennett** obeyed the Gospel last Wednesday evening, confessed Jesus as Lord and was baptized into the body of Christ. We are all encouraged by his example of faith and commitment. Make sure to greet our new brother.

Condolences

Jeffrey Stutz, a former co-worker of Bruce Brink, passed away recently at the age of 29.
 Art Tulgestka, Wayne Carter’s brother in law from Michigan, passed away in a hospital in Ohio Apr. 6.

Prayers *In our prayers let’s praise God, recognize His greatness, and thank Him for His blessings.*

Heather Bennett had gall bladder surgery recently. Let’s pray things continue to go smoothly for her.
Pat Hazlett Let’s pray for her as she deals with family and other issues.
Lulu Elder, mother of frequent visitor Jeffrey Elder, is dealing with cancer issues.
Laura Fantravo, a friend of Nancy Schul, is dealing with cancer issues.
Jim Pilozzo, age 92 and a neighbor of Sonny & Linda Stine, has bladder cancer, diabetes, and is facing having some toes removed.
Danielle, Maria Swindlehurst’s daughter, has had a hole in her heart for a long time and at recent checkup at the Cleveland Clinic they did not hear the murmur and on the echo it looked like the hole was about closed.
Dave DiTullio from the Amherst congregation had a heart attack Apr. 4 and was taken to the hospital. He had a blockage in one artery which the doctors cleared and will have more procedures to come.
Mary Hetrick Gail is asking for prayers for her daughter Mary that her heart will be open to come know the Lord.
Holly Brown, Carol Jones’ sister, is in need of our prayers as she seeks new accommodations.
Wednesday Rahelich, George & Peggy Golias’ granddaughter, is out of the hospital in Virginia, back home, and back to school.

Amanda Carter (Wayne & Sherry’s granddaughter) Her mother **Laura** had surgery in Huntsville, Alabama Apr. 5 to remove a brain tumor. She was released from the hospital Apr. 8 to go home for bedrest.

Let’s pray as we continue our preacher search process.
Let’s pray for the congregation in Fenwick, ONT as they do the same.

Also
 Let’s pray for our members that have ongoing health and other issues.
 Let’s pray for family, friends, and loved ones of our members who are having health and other issues.
 Let’s not only remember those that are physically sick but those that are spiritually sick as well.
 Let’s remember to pray for our shut-ins and to call and send cards.
 Let’s pray for those dealing with family situations as well as work situations.
 Let’s pray for those dealing with weather related disasters.
 Let’s pray for those of our number who are looking for employment.
 Let’s pray for those that are traveling. May they have a safe journey.
 Let’s pray for God’s people that are doing mission work all over the world.
 Let’s pray for those taking Bible correspondence courses at the present time.
 (Scott Forney, Robert Horrace, Anna Brink)
 Let’s pray for people the world over that we may all learn to get along with each other.

Classes and Sermon

Sun. AM Adult Bible Study Hebrews

Sermon Topic Today: Hog Diggity Dog Ziggity Boom

Scripture Reading: Luke 24:45-53

No Sun. PM Service

Tuesday Ladies’ Bible Study 10 AM at the building.

Wed. PM Bible Study 1st Kings

Serving Today

Announcements Bruce Brink
Song Leader Marvis Garrett
Direct Communion Michael Rice
Serve Bruce Brink
Serve Wayne Carter
Serve Noah Bennett
Clean Trays Wilma Patterson

Upcoming Events *(Lord willing)*

Apr. 14 Today. Men’s Business Meeting
Apr. 21 Easter Sunday
Apr. 27 Ladies Day at Amherst church of Christ
May 05 Potluck Groups 4, 5, & 6 to setup and cleanup.
May 12 Mother’s Day



2 Timothy 2:15

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Ladies, please join the Ladies Bible Class this Tuesday as we begin a new series of lessons looking at ways to encourage each other and how we can be encouraged by the studying the Word. Class begins at 10:00AM sharp and Carol Jones will be leading our class time. See Audrey if you’d like a copy of the lesson so you can be prepared to join the bible study discussion. Lessons are \$3.



Mark your calendars
GUESS WHO’S COMING TO DINNER
(or Guess Where You’re Going To Dinner)
 June 1st 5PM More details soon!