

I once ministered at a women's drug addiction home. As I was praying, the Lord revealed to me that the root cause for these women's misery was their relationship with their parents. The Holy Spirit was right on target! They *all* needed healing, forgiveness, and restoration with their parents.

I asked, "How many of you need to repent regarding how you have treated your parents... and how many of you need to forgive your parents?" Every single woman got up to repent and forgive... and to talk to God! They were weeping profoundly, and a great healing took place.

By now, you might be thinking that it is impossible for you to change your tongue... *and you are right!* Apart from His grace, you cannot change... not even by trying hard enough, or by reading a self-help book. There is only one person Who can change you, *and that is Jesus*. Only through the power of His Holy Spirit, can you be transformed and empowered to live a new life on this earth.

OUR TONGUES REVEAL OUR SPIRIT

We must reflect Jesus and not the devil. We can use our tongues to bless or to curse, to encourage or discourage, to edify or tear down, to bring healing or destruction. With our tongues we grumble, complain, criticize, gossip, slander, and pass judgment on others. Our words are potent for good or evil, and *what we say, is what we get*; we "eat the fruits" of our tongue.

You will know a tree by its fruit! If you are negative, criticizing, or complaining, ask Jesus and the Holy Spirit to make you aware of it, and to help transform you by becoming sweeter, and sweeter, and sweeter. *It is possible.* + + +

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There's Power In Your Tongue

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When there is a curse in our lives, and in our family tree, there is a reason for it; *sin caused it*. Many of the curses in our lives have come through the words that we say about ourselves, or the words that others have pronounced over our lives.

Remember, our words are packed with power: for good or for evil. Proverbs 6:2 says that, "you are snared in the utterance of your lips, caught in the words of your mouth." Our own words can snare us or trap us, and form a barrier that prevents God's blessings from entering into our lives.

NEGATIVE WORDS

For over six year, I have been ministering at the women's jail. Most of these women have heard negative words spoken over their lives since they were small; words such as: "you will never amount to anything," "you are a hopeless case," "you will end up in jail," "you are just like your Aunt Jo, stupid and dumb," "you will never change; you are a disaster."

Because our words are packed with power and they have the power for "life or death," what has been negatively "prophesied" over people's lives *actually* comes to pass. Even psychologists have coined the term, "the self-fulfilling prophecy!"

REPEATED WORDS

Tell a child the same thing again and again, and again, and you will see it lived out in his life. It is difficult for a child, for example, to prosper in school when he has been told, time and time again, that he is stupid. He might even have a high I.Q., but he is not able to perform, because he *believes* that he is stupid.

In the book of Genesis 31, Jacob finally decides to leave his father-in-law (and uncle) Laban, and return home. In the meantime, His second wife, Rachel, who was his favorite wife, stole her father's

gods. No one knew. When Laban catches up with Jacob and company, Laban asks him, "... but why did you steal my gods?"

Jacob answers him that, "Anyone with whom you find your gods shall not live." Now Jacob did not know that Rachel had stolen them. Jacob cursed, with his words, *whoever* it was who stole Laban's idols, not knowing that it was Rachel.

In Genesis 35, we read that Rachel dies during labor. Jacob himself pronounced a curse over his favorite wife, *and it was fulfilled*. He literally cursed her to death.

CURSING OURSELVES!

We can self-inflict a curse over ourselves, by the things we say about ourselves: "I'm so stupid," "I always mess up," "I hate my body," "I wish I was dead." "I am going crazy," "this headache is killing me," "I will never be healed," "I will never find a good spouse," and on and on.

Remember the Israelites in the desert who did not believe God and His Word, but instead believed the "negative report?" Well, because they mouthed their unbelief, negativity, and wishes for death, they never entered the Promised Land... and *they died in the desert*. They cursed themselves!

Another way that we can curse ourselves is by cursing our parents. Watch what you say to them, and about them! Proverbs 20:20 says, "If one curses his father or his mother, his lamp will be put out in utter darkness." Darkness, blindness, and confusion may come upon us if we have cursed our parents.

The only commandment which has promises attached to it, is the one about honoring our parents. Deuteronomy 5:16 says, "Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God commanded you, that your days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with you." I would even include here our spiritual fathers and mothers (priests, nuns, Godparents, and those who have a good influence upon us).