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"Breach In The Spirit"

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God said that He will be Supreme. Unfortunately, He is not "Supreme" in every area of our life - yet! He told me that if He were "Supreme" in one particular area of our life, then we would be that Perfect Man. So I asked Him, "What is that area, Lord?" And He said, "In your conversation! In your words! It is in the tongue, Joyce."

We are considered to be Disciples of Christ, and that means that we are to be "disciplined". Discipline is not an easy thing. We have to discipline our thinking and our speech. Many times we say things that do not produce Life. God wants us to understand that we are creators. We are His co-creators. God creates through thoughts and Words. That is how He created in the beginning. He said, "Let there be", and there was. But before He spoke it, He first thought it. Everything that He created first began with a thought; and everything He thought and spoke came into being.

Jesus has demonstrated this principle to you and me, and His Disciples almost 2000 years ago marveled at Him. He walked by a tree that was not producing any fruit, and said that because it was not bearing any fruit, from that

day forward it would be cursed and never bear any fruit. The next day when His Disciples walked by that same tree, it was all withered up. They saw that Jesus had power in His Words.

Every Word that came out of the mouth of Jesus Christ came out of the Spirit of God. Jesus said in John 6:63 that, "*It is the Spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: THE WORDS that I SPEAK unto you, THEY ARE SPIRIT, and THEY ARE LIFE.*" Through what Jesus spoke here, He is telling us that we absolutely have to understand the difference between the carnal mind and the mind of Christ; between what we speak out of our own mind, and what Jesus spoke (and desires for us to speak) out of the Spirit. We have got to understand that the flesh profits nothing, and all it can ever reproduce is death. Nothing that the carnal mind/flesh thinks, speaks, or does can ever produce/create life, because the carnal mind is death.

However, we know that the opposite is true of the mind of Christ, because the mind of Christ is Life. It is the Word and the Spirit in Perfect Union, and everything that comes out of the mind of Christ whether it be in the form of thought, the spoken

Word, or in action produces Life! This is what we must understand, because everything we do, say, or speak must first come from a thought, and it is the source of that thought that makes the difference between Life and death!

Sometimes we speak before we think, and when we do this, we have a loose tongue. Deuteronomy 30:19-20 says, "*...that I HAVE SET BEFORE YOU LIFE and death, BLESSING and cursing: THEREFORE CHOOSE LIFE, THAT THOU AND THY SEED MAY LIVE: THAT THOU MAYEST LOVE THE LORD THY GOD, and THAT THOU MAYEST OBEY HIS VOICE, and THAT THAT THOU MAYEST CLEAVE UNTO HIM: FOR HE IS THY LIFE, AND THE LENGTH OF THY DAYS: THAT THOU MAYEST DWELL IN THE LAND* (the Kingdom of God) *WHICH THE LORD SWARE UNTO THY FATHERS, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them* (He is talking about our inheritance in and through Christ). The tongue is the hardest member of our body to tame, because in the tongue there is either Life or death. It has the power of Life when yielded to the mind of Christ/Spirit of God, or

the power of death when yielded to the carnal mind.

Do you know that the tongue is like a thorn; and that it can stab you and hurt your soul? The tongue can cause others so much pain. Some people, because of their hate, fears, hurts, or past rejections, have caused others great pain. Some do not realize the damage they do. Some parents browbeat their children and tell them that they are nothing, no good, and will never amount to anything. These words cut deeply and scar an individual in their soul for years in their mind. They grow up believing what has been said about them. All through their life they are affected by what was spoken to them by someone else.

Unfortunately, God is not yet in complete control of our tongues yet. **If God did have complete control of our tongues, we would be the Full Manifestation of Who He is.** Now we have studied this before, but I asked the Lord to help me get into it and understand it even more. I can see that this is the key to everything we need in life. Everything that God has spoken is True.

The past two years I have learned a lot about dealing with people in the world; and in particular, about dealing with business people. I have learned that man cares little about the truth; and that some people in particular do not tell the truth - they lie! There are many people that not only dislike the truth, but they also don't like people who tell the truth! Some people can look you right in the eye and lie to your face. God has shown me

that this is how unspeakably corrupt the world has become.

In the past you could trust a man by his word. A man's word was his oath or contract, and if a man gave you his word, you and everyone else both knew and understood, that they were bound to perform it. Now, even legally binding written contracts mean little or nothing to many people. People will look for any reason or loophole they can find (or makeup) to get out of their contract and break their word/agreement.

However, God is raising up a Righteous corporate man after His Own Heart that will Love the Truth. He is raising us up to be that man in the earth today! Perhaps you sometimes get disgusted with yourself because you can see that you are not lining up to what the Word says. If so, this is a good thing. God is revealing this to you so that you can come into alignment with His Word. He has been talking to me very clearly about this. Then a few weeks ago, I said to Him, "God, I don't want to minister on this subject."

You see, I know that I have to walk out everything that God is teaching us. That means more responsibility. We all have to walk out everything that we have learned and understand. I have really been thinking about this the past several months.

God is going to judge our words. He is going to judge the words that we speak! In Matthew 12:33-37 it says, "Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt and, his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit. O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil,

speaking good things? FOR OUT OF THE ABUNDANCE OF THE HEART THE MOUTH SPEAKETH. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things. But I say unto you, That EVERY IDLE WORD THAT MEN SHALL SPEAK, THEY SHALL GIVE ACCOUNT THEREOF IN THE DAY OF JUDGMENT. FOR BY THEIR WORDS THOU SHALT BE JUSTIFIED, AND BY THY WORDS THOU SHALT BE CONDEMNED." Jesus was explaining what your "words" produce.

I said, "Lord, You are the one that is making this tree." But we must yield to HIS WORD, and be doers of IT! You are a tree, and the scripture above says, "Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt and, his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit." God wants us to understand that we are not known by "works"; we are known by the "fruit" we are producing/manifesting, whether it **BE** of the Tree of Life or the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

What kind of fruit are you bearing? Are you bearing the Peace that God has called you to be? **The Peacemakers are those bearing the kindness that He has called you to BE to mankind.** Jesus said in Matthew 5:9 that, "Blessed ARE THE PEACEMAKERS: for THEY SHALL BE called THE CHILDREN OF GOD." Are you bearing the gentleness of God? Are you bearing the Love of God? Are you bearing the things and fruit that He is telling us to do, and **BE**?

We can be nice around our friends; but how are we behaving around those who are closest to us? How are we behaving at home? When speaking to the Pharisees in Matthew 12:34, Jesus spoke to them and said, "O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."

In Luke 6:40-45 (below) God is saying that whatever is in your heart is eventually going to come out. Jesus said, "The disciple is not above his Master; but EVERY ONE THAT IS PERFECT SHALL BE AS HIS MASTER... For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. For every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes. A GOOD MAN OUT OF THE GOOD TREASURE OF HIS HEART BRINGETH FORTH THAT WHICH IS GOOD; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: FOR OF THE ABUNDANCE OF HIS HEART HIS MOUTH SPEAKETH."

Going back to Matthew chapter, in verse 36 Jesus said, "...I say unto you, That EVERY IDLE WORD THAT MEN SHALL SPEAK, THEY SHALL GIVE ACOUNT THEREOF in the day of judgment." I said to God, "That is a real tough one!" What "idle word" means here in this verse is: a word that is inoperative; a word that is not in active; a word that does not produce life. It is a word that has no substance to it.

Jesus goes on to say in verse 37, "For BY THY WORDS THOU SHALT BE JUSTIFIED, and BY THEY WORDS THOU SHALT BE CONDEMNED." God wants

us to be very aware of everything that we say. In Psalms 50:23 He declares, "WHOSO OFFERETH PRAISE GLORIFIETH ME: and TO HIM THAT ORDERETH HIS CONVERATION ARIGHT WILL I SHEW THE SALVATION OF GOD."

. In Romans 10:10 it says, "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." I have found that the more we talk about our problems, the BIGGER and worse our situations become. Now we all have problems and situations that we must endure and overcome, but it is not the problem or situation that is to be praised or glorified in our speech by our paying so much attention to it - IT IS GOD WHO IS TO BE PRAISED AND GLORIFIED! God wants us to FOCUS ON AND TALK ABOUT THE SOLUTIONS HE HAS GIVEN US IN HIS WORD; not on and about the problems and situations themselves!

If all we focus on, think about, and speak about is our problems and situations, then the truth of the matter is: we are not believing and walking in the reality of what God has said about them. Instead, we are choosing to bow down and surrender our lives, will, peace and joy to our problems instead of His Word.

Pay attention to what is coming out of your mouth, because your words will tell you truthfully to where, to what, or to whom your heart is truly aligned; whether it be to God and His Word, or to something/someone else. 2Corinthians 10:5 says that we are to CAST "...DOWN

IMAGINTIONS, and EVERY high THING THAT EXALTETH ITSELF AGAINST THE KNOWLEDGE (WORD) OF GOD, AND BRINGING INTO CAPTIVITY EVERY THOUGHT TO THE OBEDIENCE OF CHRIST".

When we truly believe what God has said, our thoughts and speech will change. Jesus said, "...ye shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free." (John 8:32). As long as we continue talking about our problems and situations, nothing changes. We remain bound and in darkness with no solution in sight. However, when we choose to believe and speak the Truth about what God has said, declaring the solutions that He has spoken about to you and me in His Word - we take on a positive attitude! We need to focus on and believe what God has said about our problems, because the fact is: either we believe God's Word, or we don't. It's that simple!

The more you talk about your problem or situation you are giving strength to it, and in reality holding it back from being resolved. There is not a person anywhere without a problem. Each of us has something that we need God's help in, and if we align/line up our conversation with and believe what God has said in His Word, the solution will come to pass. Eventually, in God's timing, it will happen.

In Ezekiel 12:25-28 God says, "For I am the LORD: I WILL SPEAK, AND THE WORD THAT I SPEAK SHALL COME TO PASS; IT SHALL NO MORE BE PROLONGED (in other words, IT IS FOR THIS TIME AND HOUR THAT I AM SPEAKING,

SO DO NOT TAKE THIS WORD LIGHTLY. DO NOT PUT THINGS OFF THINKING THAT YOU HAVE YET MORE TIME TO ALIGN YOUR HEART AND CONVERSATION WITH ME AND MY WORD. EVERYTHING THAT I HAVE SAID, AND EVERYTHING THAT I AM SAYING, WILL COME TO PASS IN YOUR DAYS - EXACTLY AS I HAVE SPOKEN IT INTO BEING): for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the Word, and will perform it, saith the Lord GOD. Again the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, Son of man, behold, they of the house of Israel say, The vision that he seeth is for many days to come, and He prophesieth of the times that are far off (in other words, God knows their heart and that they don't really believe God's Word applies to them; that they believe it is for others sometime way off in the future; that they believe they can do what ever we want without any consequences). Therefore say unto them, THUS SAITH THE LORD GOD; There shall NONE (NOT EVEN ONE) OF MY WORDS SHALL BE PROLONGED ANY MORE (NOW IS THE TIME FOR MY WORD TO BE FULFILLED AND COME TO PASS/MANIFEST IN THE EARTH, AND IN YOUR LIVES), but THE WORD WHICH I HAVE SPOKEN SHALL BE DONE, saith the Lord GOD."

When you begin to speak His Word, generally there is disbelief all around you; and everything looks totally opposite to what God has said. In fact, more often than not things tend to get worse before they get better. No matter what the situation is you have got to hang on to the Word that God

has spoken to you. God will not leave you in your situation, and He will never leave you period. He is always with you and in you, and in fact if you take a look at the situations He has brought you through in your life, you will see that in one way or another you have always come out on top. As you look closer you can also see what He has worked in you as a result of what you have been through. Because you trusted and believed that He would take care of you, He honored your faith in Him and fulfilled the promises He had spoken to you in His Word.

People will ask you questions about what is happening in your various situations; and you will be tempted to get into and speak about the negative details of how things appear in the natural according to the five senses and the carnal mind, but there is no Life in that. You have to learn to take those thoughts captive and bring them into the obedience of Christ; to speak forth only those things that are right and positive; answers that lineup with what God has spoken to you personally, and through His Word. It is easy to get into the carnal mind and look only upon the outward appearance of things, but that is not what we have been called to in Him. We are called to walk in the mind and Faith of Christ; not by the five senses and the carnal mind, *"because the carnal mind is enmity against God."* (Romans 8:7).

I have shared this story with you before, but years ago there was a little old lady who had cancer all over her face. One day

God spoke to her and said, "I have healed you." After He spoke to her, every Sunday at church when the pastor would ask if anybody had any testimonies they wanted to share, she would stand up and proclaim to church that, "God has healed me!" Eventually, many people went to the pastor and told him that they were sick and tired of her getting up every Sunday saying she was healed, when it was clear that she was not. Everybody could see the cancer all over her face, and said that she needed to face reality; accept that she was going to die; and get her affairs in order! So the pastor spoke to her on behalf of the people and told her that she was not to stand up and say that she was healed any more, because it wasn't true! That what she was saying was wrong and only upsetting the other people.

She went home that day, looked in the mirror, saw her face all disfigured with the cancerous tumors everywhere, and cried. She wept before the Lord, and said, "Lord, I know that You have healed me. I believe that what You have told me is True, and that You are Faithful to perform all that You have said. I know that because of what Jesus did for me on the cross for me, I am healed. Lord, I do not need to see the evidence of my healing in the natural, but Lord, they do! For their sakes Lord, let them see what you have done for me, and that your Word is True!" In that moment, God manifested His healing and consumed the cancer within her. She literally saw her skin change before her eyes to where it was no longer disfigured; but instead, smooth and soft like a baby's skin.

The next Sunday she went to church, and as she had done for weeks and months before, when the pastor asked if anyone had any testimonies to share, she stood up before the body once again. Once again she declared, "God has healed me!" All the people saw how God had healed and transformed her. They could hardly believe that this was the same woman and what they were seeing. The whole church (including the pastor) repented over their disbelief and how they had treated her. They began to worship God for what He had done!

You see, that woman had Faith! She didn't need to see her healing. She believed she was healed by Jesus stripes. We have to believe and give Him all the credit for what He has already done for you and me. I have been there. I have gone through the same kind of things as that woman, and I know that I would not be here if it were not for the Resurrection Power of God, and your prayers! God is the reason I am here, "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28).

It takes God to help us understand what others are going through, and until we have been made to walk in the shoes of someone else, we cannot truly understand or relate to what they are going through. In the same manner, how can we truly understand the suffering of creation and mankind, unless if we have experienced suffering in our own lives as well!

In the past, you may have come across people or an

individual; and because you lacked the understanding of what they were going through, you put them down. Well the time may also come when you will have to experience something similar to them. When that time comes, you will truly regret not having shown more compassion towards those people or that individual in the past. You will wish that you had more compassion; more patience; and understanding for what those people or that individual was going through.

Whatever you are going through now, REMEMBER THAT HE IS YOUR HOPE! HE IS YOUR EVERYTHING! You can know in your heart that ALL THINGS ARE WORKING TO YOUR GOOD!

To those who are worldly, things might look terrible. In their eyes you might look foolish. The world looks at you and says, "Why would anyone serve a God that lets you experience suffering the way you do?" 2Timothy 2:12 says that, "If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him...". Every thing that we go through is a learning process. God's Word is True, but sometimes we forget that.

God is trying to get you and me to walk in the understanding that we need to order our words "aright". "Aright" means: be accepted, amend, benefit, make better, be comely, content, earnestly, find favor, be glad, do (be, make) good, be (make) merry, please, show more kindness.

In Psalms 50:23 God said, "Whoso offereth Praise Glorifieth Me: and TO HIM THAT ORDERETH HIS CONVERSATION ARIGHT will

I shew the salvation of GOD." And in Proverbs 15:2 He says that, "THE TONGUE OF THE WISE USETH KNOWLEDGE ARIGHT: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness." David who was a man after God's own heart, understood this, and this is the reason why he cried out to God in Psalms 19:14, saying, "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy Sight, O LORD, my Strength, and my Redeemer." God is bringing us to the place where we will ask ourselves before we speak, "Is this coming out of the Spirit of God; or out of my feelings and carnal mind?"

You may feel sick. You may even have a high fever; but telling everyone you know is not going to change the situation. There is no "Life" in talking to people about it; but God is always with you. Go to Him. He is always there for you, and He will take care of you in His own sweet time and way.

One night I had a terrible toothache. It was on a weekend, so there was no way for me to see a dentist. The pain was so bad that I couldn't handle it. I pleaded with God to take the pain away, and He did. When I was finally able to see a dentist, he took one look and said that he couldn't imagine how I was able to stand that kind of pain. The tooth had died and turned black, and because God had answered my prayer in taking away the pain, I also asked and expected Him to heal the tooth (to where it would no longer be black). I kept praying that God would make that tooth white again. This was a long time ago, and then one day

after walking around with a black tooth for many years, my husband spoke up and said that he was sick of looking at that tooth, and that I should take some of the money from an income tax return we had received and have it fixed. Again, I asked the Lord to heal it and make it white; but He spoke to me and said, "You have the money to get it fixed, so do it!" We can't put God in a box and expect Him, or tell Him to do things the way we think He should. We can hold God to His Word, but we also have to do our part.

For example, if there is any bitterness or unforgiveness in our heart, then God will not answer our prayers. God's Word says in Mark 11:23-26, "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. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, WHEN YE PRAY, BELIEVE THAT YE RECEIVE THEM, AND YE SHALL HAVE THEM. And WHEN YE STAND PRAYING, FORGIVE, if ye have ought against any: THAT YOUR FATHER ALSO WHICH IS IN HEAVEN MAY FORGIVE YOUR TRESPASSES. But IF YOU DO NOT FORGIVE, NEITHER WILL YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN FORGIVE YOUR TRESPASSES." In other words, in His Word God has given you the authority in Christ to speak to the mountains, and to ask what ever you desire of Him in Faith. However, if we have anything against anyone else in our hearts,

and do not forgive them before first coming to the Father in prayer; not only do we place the Father in a position where He cannot forgive us of our trespasses, but He cannot even hear our prayers. The unforgiveness in our own heart puts a wall up between us and God. As we said before, often there are conditions upon God's Word that we must do as well. "Faith" does not just mean that you believe something in your heart or mind, it requires action. James 2:26 says, "For as the body without the Spirit is dead, so Faith without works is dead also."

Sometimes God will allow an individual to suffer for a long time. If He allows it, then He has a purpose in it, because nothing can come our way unless if God allows it. Sometimes He will allow it to keep that person humble. Whatever the reason or purpose behind, God knows and is in control. Far too often we can be quick to judge others in their circumstances, forgetting that God is "The Judge" and knows all; that, "...the Word of God is Quick, and Powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and Spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him with whom we have to do."(Hebrews 4:12-13). Jesus also said in Matthew 7:1-3. "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. And why

beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?"

I have also learned not to be too quick to pray for another person's healing. We must be instructed by the Spirit of the Lord as to how to pray. Over the years I have seen God move very slowly in some people's lives. Why? Because He was patiently waiting for the individuals to allow Him to change their soul, knowing that if they received their healing too quickly they might go right back into the same situations again. Over the years, I have actually seen this happen.

In Proverbs 15:1 it says, "A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger." Sometimes it is very difficult not to give someone a piece of your mind, but you have got to hold your tongue. It goes on to say in verses 2-4, "The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness. The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good." In other words, He is beholding both the good and the evil that is coming out of your mouth! "A wholesome tongue is a Tree of Life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the Spirit."

What does "perverseness" mean? It means: directed away from what is right and good (God's Word is always Right and Good). It means that the words coming out of your mouth are completely turned away from what is right, and are totally directed away from what is good, creating a "breach in the Spirit". That breach brings death. It

cannot bring Life. God is watching over both the good, and the evil words that come out of your mouth. Why? Because, both Life, and death are in the Power of the tongue!

David understood this, and this is the reason why he cried out to God in Psalm 19:14 saying, "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer." David was saying, "God, don't let the words that I speak be words that you will not accept; but let them be what is Right, and Just, and Pure in Your eyes! Let my words be Truth that comes out of your Word; not lies; not what comes out of the five senses and the carnal mind. Let all the things I meditate on be acceptable to you. Let my words speak Life, because then I know You will accept them."

We sometimes sing a song here that comes from that verse. It goes, "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditations of my heart, be acceptable in Your sight! Oh Lord."

There is such an excitement within me, when ever I think upon what things will be like when we truly get a hold of this Word! Yes, we are a Lighthouse! Yes, we are a city set upon a hill with our Light (which is Christ) shining out to the world! Yes, we are creating already! Every time we get in the Spirit, we are allowing the mind of Christ to operate and create through us! Every time we get in the Spirit, we are allowing His thoughts to go forth as creative thoughts to touch mankind and creation now! BUT WHEN WE BEGIN TO TRULY ALLOW GOD TO

ORDER OUR CONVERSATIONS ARIGHT - EVERY WORD THAT WE SPEAK WILL BRING LIFE TO THOSE AROUND US, BECAUSE THEY (OUR WORDS) WILL BE ORDERED BY, AND FLOW OUT OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD! OUR WORDS WILL BE ORDERED BY HIM, BECAUSE WE WILL ALLOW HIM TO RULE OUR TONGUE AND CONVERSATION!

Coming to this place in Him is not easy, but Jesus never said that it would be easy. It is not easy to be different in a negative world. It is not easy to keep your mouth shut and say nothing at times. But there are also times when we have to speak up. Times like when Jesus spoke out in Matthew 12:34-37 and called the Pharisees, "vipers". He said, "O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things; and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things. But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."

The tongue is the smallest member of the body, but in James 3:8 it says that, "...the tongue can no man tame...". And yet in comparison, if you take a horse being both as big and powerful as it is - by putting a simple bit in its mouth, you can turn it to the right and to the left. In fact, when you put a bit in the horse's mouth - you take control over that horse! Do you hear what God is saying

through this example? A horse has so much power, and yet that little bit in his mouth puts another in control.

James 3:4 in the Amplified Bible says, "Likewise, look at the ships: though they are so great and are driven by rough winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the impulse of the helmsman determines." This really jumped out at me. It says, "wherever the impulse of the helmsman determines...", but who is really steering the ship here? The Captain, because on a ship the helmsman or pilot of the ship must submit his will totally to the Captain of the ship. It is the Captain who gives the orders as to what course they take. The helmsman must work as one with the Captain in order for the ship to reach its destination properly.

Psalm 50:23 says, "WHOSO OFFERETH PRAISE glorifieth Me: and TO HIM THAT ORDERETH HIS CONVERSATION ARIGHT WILL I SHEW THE SALVATION OF GOD." As we order our tongue and words aright, and in all our ways (in all that we say, think, and do) acknowledge (glorify and praise) Him, He will direct our paths. He will show us that straight gate, and make plain that narrow way that leads to Life, for few there be who find it. If we will purposely order our conversations aright and choose to speak Life and not death, we will also create fewer hells for ourselves to walk through. Broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who choose to walk through it; but we don't have to be one of them!

In James 3:4 it spoke about how the ship is steered by a very

small rudder, and it goes wherever the helmsman (governor or pilot) wants (desires, determines, or wills) it to go (depending on which translation you are reading). The English Standard Version says that **“they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the WILL of the pilot directs.”**

We have talked about what happens when we acknowledge Him in all our ways and order our conversation aright, but what happens when an individual’s conversation and thoughts are not aright, and are contrary to the Word and Spirit of God? What happens when an individual constantly says, “I can’t do it! I’ll never make it! It’s impossible! I’m nothing! I’m nobody! I’m too weak! Nobody will ever love me! I’m broke, I’m poor, and I’ll never have anything!” This kind of individual is speaking death and destruction to themselves. Through their words and thoughts they are literally creating destruction in their own lives; and they keep on repeating/reproducing it over, and over, again. What they are saying, thinking, and believing is a lie and contrary to the Word of God, because Philippians 4:13 says that, **“I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHICH STRENGTHENS ME.”**

In Joel 3:10 God says, **“...let the weak say, I AM STRONG.”** And in Philippians 4:13 His Word says, **“I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.”** We have to meditate more and more on the Word of God which you were created to be. Let the Word become more and more a part of you. Order your conversation aright, according to

what the Word says, for the Word is Truth and Life! Jesus said in John 8:31-32, **“...If ye continue in My Word** (if you order your conversation aright and do those things that I have commanded you to do), **then are ye My disciples indeed; and ye shall know the Truth** (personally by experience and through a relationship with Me), **and the Truth shall make you free.”**

Find the solution to your problem in the Word of God, and when someone asks you about your problem, speak the Word/solution to your problem that God has given you in His Word. Speak only that Word that applies, because His Word is Truth, and it is the Truth that will make you free! Other people may think that you are crazy and say you need to get a grip on reality; but the truth of the matter is: you are the sane one. For you have chosen to believe in the substance (solution) of things yet hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen. You have chosen to stand and believe in the Truth and Word of the Lord God Almighty, Who is, and spoke the answer and solution to your problem even before the foundation of the World; for Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, and to day, and for ever!

Some people go wrong because they haven’t sought the Lord in regard to their situation or problem. If they just quote scriptures (memory verses) at it from their mind, they will be disappointed; because both the solution and the scripture (Word of God) to be applied must come out of the Spirit of God. God knows exactly what is needed in

each situation, and what may be the solution for one individual’s problem or situation, may not be the solution that God would have for another. This is also the reason why we need to have a personal relationship with Him, because He is a personal God who has a specific purpose and plan for your life!

When the Spirit of the Lord gives you a Word about some one in your family, or about anything else, then you have got to believe it, because God doesn’t lie. The Lord spoke to me years ago about certain individuals, and said that, “They will say that, I am Lord!” Years went by, and again He said, “Do not get discouraged because of their behavior. They will say that, I am Lord of their life! You are still looking at them through your five senses; but you must remember the Word that I spoke to you.” God speaks things into being, even though they are not. Isaiah 46:10 says, **“Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure: ...yea, I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it.”** It took years for Him to fulfill the Word that He had spoken to me, but in His time He did it. God didn’t look at all the mess in between. He was only focused on the completed Word that He had spoken. In God there is no time, but He watches over His Word to perform it.

Over the years I have learned to understand what God means by: “longsuffering” (“patience”). Maybe the solution you are waiting for is not going to happen over night, but do not get

impatient and give up. I have met so many people who are angry at God! They are angry because things aren't happening the way they would like, or at the pace they think God should do it. But I have also learned that HE IS ALWAYS RIGHT! No matter what the situation, GOD'S WAYS AND HIS TIMING ARE ALWAYS RIGHT!

I know that this Word is not easy; but it is the absolute Truth! Ephesians 4:29 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." You need to meditate on this one. In the Amplified Bible it says, "Let no foul or polluting language, nor evil word nor unwholesome or worthless talk [ever] come out of your mouth, but only such [speech] as is good and beneficial to the spiritual progress of others, as is fitting to the need and the occasion, that it may be a blessing and give grace (God's favor) to those who hear it."

These are strong words, and we really need to think about what is being said here. You need to think about what is coming out of your mouth, and ask yourself, "Is this conversation bringing any Life? Is it tearing someone down? Are these wholesome words? Are they kind words?"

It goes on to say in Ephesians 4:30 in the Amplified Bible, "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God [do not offend or vex or sadden Him], by Whom you were sealed (marked, branded as God's own, secured) for the day of redemption (of final deliverance through Christ from evil and the consequences of sin)." "Do not

offend ...or sadden...". That is the Breach in the Spirit!

Remember Proverbs 15:3, "The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good (that which is coming out of your mouth). A WHOLESOME TONGUE IS A TREE OF LIFE: but perverseness therein ("perverseness" means: totally turning away from that which is good; totally turning away from speaking that which is good and beneficial to others) is a BREACH IN THE SPIRIT."

We are not there yet, but if we continue to persevere, we will make it! 2Thessalonians 2:13-14 says, "...WE ARE BOUND TO GIVE THANKS ALWAYS TO GOD for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, BECAUSE GOD HATH FROM THE BEGINNING CHOSEN YOU TO SALVATION THROUGH SANCTIFICATION OF THE SPIRIT AND BELIEF OF THE TRUTH: Whereunto He called you by our gospel, TO THE OBTAINING OF THE GLORY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST." God has been telling me to get ready; and to be ready to be filled with all of His Glory, and to receive His deliverance. He will deal with the particular areas where we need deliverance, and He has been preparing us for that day, but He wants us to remain in a constant state of readiness.

Jesus said in Matthew 24:35-35 that, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but MY WORDS SHALL NOT PASS AWAY. But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of Heaven, but My Father only." In Matthew chapters 24 and 25 Jesus used the examples of as it was in the day of Noah, the five wise virgins, and the good and faithful servants of how we are to remain

in a constant state of readiness, and in faithfulness, obedience, and Love for Him, keep His commandments by doing, speaking, and becoming the Word of God for all to see.

Colossians 4:6 in the Amplified Bible says, "LET YOUR SPEECH AT ALL TIMES BE GRACIOUS (pleasant and winsome), SEASONED [as it were] WITH SALT, [SO THAT YOU MAY NEVER BE AT A LOSS] TO KNOW HOW YOU OUGHT TO ANSWER ANYONE [WHO PUTS A QUESTION TO YOU]." In other words, we must always speak a Word that comes out of the Spirit. When you speak those Words you may not necessarily see immediate results, but because the Words came out of the Spirit of God, that Word will not return void or fall to the ground. That Word will salt and preserve the individual(s) that it was spoken to, and in the appointed time of the Father, IT (that Word that came out of the Spirit) will accomplish all that IT was sent to do in them.

In Isaiah 55:11 God said, "SO SHALL MY WORD BE THAT GOES FORTH OUT OF MY MOUTH; IT SHALL NOT RETURN TO ME VOID [without producing any effect, useless], but IT SHALL ACCOMPLISH THAT WHICH I PLEASE AND PURPOSE, and IT SHALL PROSPER IN THE THING FOR WHICH I SENT IT." Every Word that is sent and ordered by the Grace of God is seasoned with salt to preserve it/the thing or individual to which IT (the Word) was sent; and to manifest in it/the thing the purpose for which God sent IT (the Word). IT is a Creative Word (a part of God Himself) that goes forth from the

Spirit of God Himself to manifest what He intends in the natural, and it cannot fail!

God created us to be creators, and we are His co-creators in the earth. The more you allow God to order your conversation aright, the more power will be in your words and speech. A Word that comes out of the Spirit of God is a Creative Word and it cannot fall to the ground. When a true prophet of God speaks a Word in the name of God, his/her Words do not fall to the ground, because they come from the Spirit of God. When you look at the lives of different prophets in the Bible like Elijah, Elisha, Samuel, and even John the Baptist, every Word that they spoke forth manifested. That is how you can identify a true prophet. They are individuals who get and speak forth Words and Visions from the Spirit of God. They speak forth "what" and "when" the Father wants them to speak.

Many years ago there were prophesies spoken forth about the realm that we are in now. It took many years for us to come into this realm, but things manifest in God's perfect time, and not when or how we think they should happen. When God speaks to you about something, (in the natural) it may look like it will never happen. More often than not, situations may even look totally opposite to what God has spoken and promised you. In these times you are being tested and proven to see if you are going to believe what He has spoken to you, or your five senses. We are to walk by Faith and not by sight (the five senses) and the carnal reasoning of our

mind. Proverbs 14:12 says, "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." We need to hold onto the Word that He has given us, and know in our heart that IT WILL COME TO PASS! In Jeremiah 1:12 God said that, "...I will hasten MY WORD to perform IT."

1Timothy 6:3-4 in the Amplified Bible says, "But if anyone teaches otherwise and does not assent to the sound and wholesome messages of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah) and the teaching which is in agreement with Godliness (piety toward God), He is puffed up with pride and stupefied with conceit...". It also says in James 3:1 in the Amplified Bible that, "Not many [of you] should become teachers (self-constituted censors and reprovers of others), my brethren, for you know that we [teachers] will be judged by a higher standard and with greater severity [than other people; thus we assume the greater accountability and the more condemnation]. For we all often stumble and fall and offend in many things. And if anyone does not offend in speech [never says the wrong things], he is a fully developed character and a perfect man, able to control his whole body and to curb his entire nature." In other words, when we begin to let God rule our tongue, our whole body will come into alignment with Him. Meditate on this; digest it; walk it out, and let it become a part of you!

Yes, you will fall from time to time, but you are not to beat yourself up over it and allow depression to come in. God will let you know when your speech is not ordered aright; and in

Love, He will correct you. When He does, repent, and ask Him to forgive you. Then arise and get back on track again.

2Timothy 1:13 says, "Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus." And Titus 2:7-8 in the Amplified Bible says, "And show your own self in all respects to be a pattern and a model of good deeds and works, teaching what is unadulterated, showing gravity [having the strictest regard for truth and purity of motive], with dignity and seriousness. And let your instruction be sound and fit and wise and wholesome, vigorous and irrefutable and above censure, so that the opponent may be put to shame, finding nothing discrediting or evil to say about us." God is telling us to seek Him more now than ever before.

Proverbs 18:7 in the Amplified Bible says, "A [self-confident] fool's mouth is his ruin, and his lips are a snare to himself." It can't get any clearer than that. Your words are a snare to your soul. A fool's mouth is his destruction. The next verse says, "The words of a whisperer or talebearer are as dainty morsels; they go down into the innermost parts of the body." Then in verse 21 of this same chapter it says, "Death and Life are in the power of the tongue, and they who indulge in it shall eat the fruit of it [for death or Life]." Pretty strong words, aren't they?

In the Amplified Bible, Proverbs 12:18-19 says, "There are those who speak rashly, like the piercing of a sword, but THE TONGUE OF THE WISE BRINGS HEALING. TRUTHFUL

LIPS SHALL BE ESTABLISHED FOREVER, but a lying tongue is [credited] but for a moment." Proverbs 10:19-21 also says that, "In a multitude of words transgression is not lacking, but HE WHO RESTRAINS HIS LIPS IS PRUDENT (wise). THE TONGUES OF THOSE WHO ARE UPRIGHT AND IN RIGHT STANDING WITH GOD ARE AS CHOICE SILVER; the minds of those who are wicked and out of harmony with God are of little value. THE LIPS OF THE [UNCOMPROMISINGLY] RIGHTEOUS FEED AND GUIDE MANY, but fools die for want of understanding and heart."

People who talk a lot will not lack sin in their conversation; and some people talk too much. The lips of the Righteous feed many, but the fools die for lack of wisdom. Those who are allowing the Lord to rule over their tongues are learning to restrain their lips and only speak that which comes from the Spirit of God. When they speak, the Word says that it brings healing, Life, and change to others. And because they are coming into harmony with the Word and the Spirit of God, their Words are eternal, and bear the Nature and Glory of God.

In verses 31-32 it says, "THE MOUTHS OF THE RIGHTEOUS (THOSE HARMONIOUS WITH GOD) BRING FORTH SKILLFUL AND GODLY WISDOM, but the perverse tongue shall be cut down [like a barren and rotten tree]. (God has said, and is saying here as well, that He is going to remove the perverse/wicked from the earth). "THE LIPS OF THE [UNCOMPROMISINGLY] RIGHTEOUS KNOW [AND

THEREFORE UTTER] WHAT IS ACCEPTABLE, but the mouth of the wicked knows [and therefore speaks only] what is obstinately willful and contrary." In other words, the wicked don't know any better, and because they don't believe and Love the Word of God, everything that they speak is contrary to IT.

In Proverbs 31:26-27 in the Amplified Bible it says, "She opens her mouth in skillful and Godly Wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness [giving counsel and instruction]. She looks well to how things go in her household, and THE BREAD OF IDLENESS (gossip, discontent, and self-pity) SHE WILL NOT EAT." Unlike in the two verses above, there still far too many idle Christians whose mouths are full of gossip, discontent, and self-pity. There is no Life in what they speak. This was the condition of the scribes and of the Pharisees, the church 2000 years ago, and why Jesus said in Matthew 12:34, "O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."

It is not enough to hear these things and to know them in our heads - we have got to do it! We must let it become a part of us, and put it into practice every day of our life!

If you are waiting for something to take place in your life - Seek the Lord! Ask Him to give you a Word/solution to the problem or situation you are dealing with. There is a solution to every problem and you will find IT in the Bible! God's Word has it all. Let the Spirit of the Lord speak to you personally, and through His Word; and

when He gives you a Word - hold on to IT, and believe IT, because the Truth shall set you Free!

Once God has given you that Word, if someone wants to talk to you about your problem, don't get into the negative details of your situation; only speak the Word/solution that God has given you! No matter how crazy they think you are - speak IT, and God will bring IT to pass just as He has told you! Jesus said in John 14:12-14, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, HE THAT BELIEVETH ON ME, THE WORKS THAT I DO SHALL HE DO ALSO; AND GREATER WORKS THAN THESE SHALL HE DO; because I GO UNTO MY FATHER. And WHATSOEVER YE SHALL ASK IN MY NAME, THAT I WILL DO, that THE FATHER MAY BE GLORIFIED IN THE SON. IF YE SHALL ASK ANY THING IN MY NAME, I WILL DO IT." He will do this, because we were created to be just like Him (in His Image and after His Likeness) and He is a creator. We are creators, and our tongue truly does destine our life. If our conversation is ordered aright with the Word of God and comes out of the Spirit of God, it will not fall to the ground. It will come to pass just as HE/we have spoken IT into being. God will watch over that Word; and in His perfect time cause it to manifest!

God is trying to get His Sons to line up their conversation and let it be nothing but Life! There is so much death and corruption around us. There are so many people that need Life! There are so many people that need a Creative Word that comes out of the Spirit! They need someone to bring them out of the realm of

death that they have been in, and resurrect them just like Lazarus. So many people need to hear a Word that will change their life, just like the Samaritan woman that Jesus spoke to at the well. Jesus knew how many husbands she had, but He also knew that she needed to partake of the Living Waters/the Word and the Spirit within Him. He then spoke to her a Creative Word from the Spirit that ministered Life and change to her.

I know that you are waiting for change in your life as well. *“Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith; but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.”* (Hebrews 10:35-39).

Keep your relationship with Him first and foremost in your life. Continue to allow Him to use you for His purpose and Glory; to continue to bring change in the heavens and the earth, by allowing His Love, Word, and Spirit to flow through you to others. Walk out and BE what He has called you to BE in the earth, by keeping His commandments.

The key to bringing your conversation in line with the Word of God is you have to get your mind off of yourself. You have to lose sight of yourself, your situations, and your problems. John the Baptist understood this and said it best. I

John 3:30 he said, *“He must increase, but I must decrease.”* It is hard when you are in a predicament, but the more you spend time with the Lord and put Him first in your life, you will get through it.

This week, count how many times you breach the Spirit of God. Don't beat yourself up over it; just allow God to show you where you are at, and allow Him to have more control over your tongue.