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You and Your Mouth

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INTRODUCTION

to the text

Proverbs 13:1-25

The Power of The Tongue!

Why - Because The Power of the Tongue is What it is Linked To;

The Mouth is Directly Situated in the Middle of Our Faces

Matthew 12:34b

For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

James 3:3-6

Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body. ⁴ Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires. ⁵ Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles! ⁶ And the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell.

It's The Most *Identifiable* Part of Our Faces

It's The Most *Prominent* Part of Our Faces

It's The *Loudest* Part of Our Faces

James 3:7-12

For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. ⁸ But no man can tame the tongue. *It is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹ Does a spring send forth fresh *water* and bitter from the same opening? ¹² Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.

Jesus Said This About Our Tongues, Which Live Inside Our Mouth's!

Matthew 12:37

For by your words you will be justified,
and by your words you will be condemned."

Matthew 7:2

For with what judgment you judge,
you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you.

In Proverbs 13

Solomon Teaches About what the tongue Can Produce and is Producing

The Power of The Tongue!

Hey Church, Listen Up...

Here's a Little Tid-Bit of Information About Each and Every One of Us,
...That's Including You and Me!!!

People Know Us By Our (Words) Mouths

(I'm Not Talking About The Verbal Advantage - - I'm Talking About Cardiac Arrest)

Our Words

Secretly Generate From Inside Our Hearts,
Our Minds and The Very Soul of Who We Are!

This Week I Saw a Clip from
One of the Original Godzilla Movies

***"When People See Your Mouth"
Coming... have you ever wondered about
what does that look like to them?***

Show Godzilla Slides 1 and 2 Only

Hey Look Here Comes
Mr. Tear Down Mouth
Or Here Comes Ms. Gossip Mouth

The Power of The Tongue!

***"When You Walk Into a Room" or into a Church,
or When People see you in Town -
What Do They Expect to Hear from Us***

Show Godzilla Slide 3 Only

???? What Do They See and Hear Coming Out of Our
Mouths ?????

Wouldn't We Rather Be a "Coming" Blessing
to Those Who See Us Coming?

***Our Mouths are Heading Right
for Someone's Eyes and Ears and Face, All The Time!!!***

Again - If You Would, From the New Living Translation...

Verse 1-3

Proverbs 13:1-3 NLT

A wise child accepts a parent's discipline; a young mocker refuses to listen. ² Good people enjoy the positive results of their words, but those who are treacherous crave violence. ³ Those who control their tongue will have a long life; a quick retort can ruin everything.

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Verse 4-6

Proverbs 13:4-6 NLT

Lazy people want much but get little, but those who work hard will prosper and be satisfied (lazy people talk a lot). ⁵ Those who are godly hate lies; the wicked come to shame and disgrace. ⁶ Godliness helps people all through life, while the evil are destroyed by their wickedness.

Verse 7-8

Proverbs 13:7-8 NLT

Some who are poor pretend to be rich; others who are rich pretend to be poor. ⁸ The rich can pay a ransom, but the poor won't even get threatened.

Verse 9-11

Proverbs 13:9-11 NLT

The life of the godly is full of light and joy, but the sinner's light is snuffed out. ¹⁰ Pride leads to arguments; those who take advice are wise. ¹¹ Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows.

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Verse 12

Proverbs 13:12 NLT

Hope **deferred** makes the heart sick, but when **dreams** come true, there is life and joy.

(NLT = dreams / KJV = **desire** / NIV = a **longing**)

KÅvDm

Differed HEB =

to hold off unnaturally, to withhold wrongfully, to delay when no delay is necessary, the waiting that leads to frustration.

There Comes a Time In All of Our Lives

when we have prayed enough, we've read enough,
we've had enough counseling, we've waited enough,
it's time to act

(The world says it this way, "fish or cut bait")

Verse 13-16

Proverbs 13:13-16 NLT

People who despise advice will find themselves in trouble; those who respect it will succeed. ¹⁴ The advice of the wise is like a life-giving fountain; those who accept it avoid the snares of death. ¹⁵ A person with good sense is respected; a treacherous person walks a rocky road. ¹⁶ Wise people think before they act; fools don't and even brag about it!

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Verse 17-18

Proverbs 13:17-18 NLT

An unreliable messenger stumbles into trouble, but a reliable messenger brings healing. ¹⁸ If you ignore criticism, you will end in poverty and disgrace; if you accept criticism, you will be honored.

The Messenger Must Believe in the Message In Order to Bring Healing.

(He's Confident in What He's Bringing)

Verse 19-23

Proverbs 13:19-23 NLT

It's pleasant to see dreams come true, but fools will not turn from evil to attain them. **(time and opportunity wasters)** ²⁰ Whoever walks with the wise will become wise; whoever walks with fools will suffer harm **(fall into open holes)**. ²¹ Trouble chases sinners, while blessings chase the righteous! ²² Good people leave an inheritance to their grandchildren, but the sinner's wealth passes to the godly. ²³ A poor person's farm may produce much food, but injustice sweeps it all away.

Psalm 23:1-6

The LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want. ² He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. ³ He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake. ⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You *are* with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.

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Verse 24-25

Proverbs 13:24-25 NLT

If you refuse to discipline your children, it proves you don't love them; if you love your children, you will be prompt to discipline them. ²⁵ The godly eat to their hearts' content, but the belly of the wicked goes hungry.

Proverbs 4:23-24

Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it *spring* the issues of life. ²⁴ Put away from you a deceitful mouth, And put perverse lips far from you.

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