

PP Heart Talk

Part 9-Hebrews 13:15 A Fixed heart, Living a Lifestyle of Worship. *By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.*
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Amplified Bible: *Through him, therefore let us at all times offer up to God a sacrifice of praise which is the fruit of lips that thankfully acknowledge and confess and glorify His name.*

INTRODUCTION: Recap

The last few weeks in the Heart Talk series Pastor Tim focused on **PP Colossians 4:2-6** (***The Importance of Speaking Life***) while driving home the point that we should always temper our speech with Grace and seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person. Last week Pastor Tim taught on **PP James 3:1-12,17** (***The Fiercest Battle***) focusing on to tame the tongue, be accountability while remembering the tongues potential for good or evil. So, for me and what hit me and stuck out in the sermon last week was **PP Matthew 12:34** (***out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks***)

So, as we move forward to the message this weekend, I think it's safe to conclude that in this Heart talk series we can we as was stated last week in **James 3:8** **But the tongue can no man tame; it is unruly evil, full of deadly poison.**

BUT GOD, BUT GOD, BUT GOD, NO MAN, BUT GOD, NO MAN, BUT GOD CAN

NOTE: CAN YOU PLACE THESE FIRST 3 PP IN THE INTRODUCTION ON SAME SLIDE IF POSSIBLE....THANKS

PP Psalm 141:3 *Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips.*

I was reminded this week about a time in my life when I first got a personal revelation of the power of the tongue.... (Grocery store) As I witnessed an interaction with a single mother and her young son.

PP Hebrews 13 :15 *By him, meaning Jesus the Christ the perfect sacrifice without spot wrinkle or blemish. Amplified Bible translation says: Through him, therefore let us at all times offer up to God a sacrifice of praise which is the fruit of lips that thankfully acknowledge and confess and glorify His name.*

Through him..... Jesus is alive, the lamb of God, the only efficient and sufficient one.

Through him, by him...our thanksgiving is only acceptable to God on Jesus account so it's only right to offer our praises up by him (Jesus)

We must continually praise God in times of adversity, affliction, temptation. In times of reproach, persecution.

The Book of Hebrews: About Jesus and how he guarantees a new and BETTER covenant of grace. Key word being better.

The term fruit of our lips is interpreted by some in reference to Hosea 14:2 ***Take with you words, and turn to the Lord: say unto him, take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously: so we will render the calves of our lips.*** But writer in Hebrews (book of better) writes that the sacrifice will be the fruit of our lips verses the calves of our lips, therefore bringing a

conjunction of the **heart and tongue** together in praise along with a social giving thanks to God by the saints, as a body together.

PP 1-A fixed heart, Living a lifestyle of Worship

As it's been stated thoroughly over and over again in this Heart Talk series that the condition of our hearts is the key to what we say, and let me add and what we sing and sets the course for our lives.

We need a **fixed heart**, (United in one great affection) **Lifestyle of Worship** A tongue that speaks of God's righteousness and thy praises all the day long.

A fixed heart Psalms 108:1 "O God my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise even with my glory"

Living a lifestyle of Worship Romans 12:1,2

- 1. I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.**
- 2. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed but be renewal of your mind**

Again, a reminder: PP James 3:8 But the tongue can no man tame; it is unruly evil, full of deadly poison. Matthew 12:34 "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks"

(The key once again is our hearts) We must also realize that at times we could be offering honor to God with our lips but not in our hearts. **("In vain do they worship me") Matthew 15:8,9**

I was reminded last week in a conversation with Pastor Tim (reverence the men of God)

Hebrews 13:17 Obey them that have rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as to give account, that they may do it with joy, and not grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

1 Timothy 5:17 Let the elders who rule well be consider worthy of double honor especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.

Repeat: 2 Chronicles 20:21-23 Jehoshaphat..... There is so much power in praise and worship. The fruit of our lips with a fixed heart living a lifestyle of worship.

PP Psalm 86:11 David says "Unite my heart" Meaning: Give me one great love, Give me one great affection. Unite my heart. Let me be not divided. Let me be not distracted.

PP What would be this great love? Matthew 22:37, Mark 12:30, Luke 10:27 Deuteronomy 13:3, 6:5, 11:13. To love the Lord your God with all your HEART, SOUL, MIND and STRENGTH.

PP Psalms 34:1 I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

How does this happen?

We stated earlier and quoted **James 3:8 that NO MAN can tame the tongue.**

But something happens when we ask for a fixed heart.
Something happens when we live a lifestyle of Worship.
Something happens when we Worship.
Something happens when the Word of God is taught and we receive it.

There's a Heart change, There's a language change, there's an attitude change.

When we say like David said in **Psalms 5:1** *Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*

Psalms 57:7 My heart is fixed, O God: I will sing and give praise.

Something happens when we participate in true worship. When my heart is united with one great affection, one great Love. To love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength.

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PP 2- True Worship (Teaching of the Word of God, The Word of God in Song, The Word of God in our mouths)

Definition: True Worship begins with the acknowledgement of the source (God)

Definition: True Worship is any and every expression of obedience, praise, honor, adoration, and gratitude offered to the true God by a regenerate soul who knows the truth about God and loves Him.

I must note that there is a difference between Praise and Worship even though praise is included in Worship (Maybe I'll get a chance to teach on that someday during a Praise and Worship teaching.

Definition: True Worship: *Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.*

Ephesians 5:19. addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, making melody to the Lord with your hearts, giving thanks always for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

PP True Worship (Teaching of the word of God is the most important part of public worship)

Order in Worship: The regulative principle (Worship by divine revelation (Holy Scriptures)

- 1. Reading, teaching the Word**
- 2. Psalms/Hymns, singing, dancing**

3. Prayer

4. Communion

Worship is a vital part in our lives.

I going to make a few statements about worship as I begin to close, That I strongly believe are true.

People who do the music aren't the worship leaders, the worship leader is the person who teaches the Scripture, because that's where worship is born.

Worship should be birthed by the understanding and reading, teaching and preaching of the Scriptures.

Therefore, I submit to you that in true worship the worship leader is ultimately the lead Pastor of that congregation. Not the Music director, keyboard player or lead singer.

The most importance component that contributes to effective worship is the Scriptures.

We must worship according to will and word of God and we learn this through the teaching and preaching of the word.

If this is true then we have one of the best worship leaders (Pastor Tim A,) in this part of the country because the teaching and preaching of the Scriptures here at the Cornerstone churches is done with excellence.

These are the areas that we have be careful in as we purpose to have a fixed heart, living a lifestyle of worship. Speaking blessing and not cursing. Walking in accountability in our words knowing that on the day of judgment we will all give account for every careless word we speak, for by our words we will be justified and by our words we will be condemned.

PP True Worship (The Word of God in song)

Its important to not get so preoccupied with Worship instead of what it's for. We can become experts at the means but most often not getting to the end.

PP We must constantly watch for the attraction to the means. There is nothing more tragic in abusing time, energy, and resources than to make the means the end.

The process of Worship should take us to its purpose, but the process should never become the purpose. One of the greatest challenges of humanity is the preoccupation with the means over the end.

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