

**TAKING THE LIMITS OFF GOD IN YOUR LIFE:
THE POWER OF YOUR WORDS & THOUGHTS
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Ps 78:40,41

40 How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness, *and* grieve him in the desert!

41 Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel.

Limited: to set a mark or boundary, border, to confine within certain bounds, restrict; to grieve.

Pro 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue...

Pro 21:23 Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

KEEPETH: GUARD, PROTECT, ATTEND TO, HEDGE ABOUT AS W/THORNS.

TROUBLES: TIGHT PLACES.

Eph 3:20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

Eph 3:20 AMP Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]-

Matt 12:34-37

34 For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

35 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.

36 But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. (AMP "idle"= inoperative, nonworking)

37 For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

THE WORDS THAT COME OUT OF OUR MOUTH IS A RESULT OF WHAT HAS BEEN DEPOSITED IN OUR HEART. THE WORD IS MIXED WITH FAITH IN OUR HEART.

Rom 10:9,10

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Rom 4:17,18 ALT

17 (just as it has been written, "I have appointed you [*as*] a father of many nations") in the presence of God, whom he believed, the One giving life to the dead [*ones*] and calling the [*things*] not existing as existing. [*Gen 17:5*]

18 Who against [*or, beyond*] hope [*or, confident expectation*] believed in hope [*or, confident expectation*], for him to become "a father of many nations" according to the [*word*] having been spoken, "So will your seed [*fig., descendants*] be." [*Gen 15:5*]

WE MUST SPEAK TOWARDS THE RESULTS WE DESIRE. IT'S NOT LYING; LYING IS

SPEAKING IN FAITH IS _____ WITH GOD & COMMANDING CIRCUMSTANCES TO LINE UP IN ACCORDANCE TO HIS WILL & WORD; & BELIEVING & ACTING LIKE THEY ARE.

WORDS WILL PUT YOU UNDER.

WORDS WILL PUT YOU OVER.

2Cor 4:13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak.

(BBE) But having the same spirit of faith, as it is said in the Writings, The words of my mouth came from the faith in my heart; in the same way, our words are the outcome of our faith.

(CEV) In the Scriptures it says, "I spoke because I had faith." We have that same kind of faith. So we speak.

(MSG) Just like the psalmist who wrote, "I believed it, so I said it," we say what we believe.

WE MUST _____ GOD'S WORD BEFORE WE CAN EXERCISE _____ IN HIS WORD & MAKE A _____ OF HIS WORD & _____ TO RECEIVE ANYTHING FROM HIS WORD.

Heb 10:22-23 Let us hold fast the profession (*confession*) of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)

THOUGHTS

Our _____ will move in the direction of our thoughts.

The _____ you make are based upon the _____ you think.

If our _____ is wrong then our _____ will be wrong.

If our believing is wrong then our _____ will be wrong.

If our confessing is wrong then we will live a _____.

If you think worry, fear, doubt, lack, broke, sick, busted, and disgusted you will begin to believe it. What you believe you will eventually begin to say. Confession brings possession.

"Change your thoughts and you change your world." Norman Vincent Peale

Prov 23:7 For as he (*a man*) thinketh in his heart, so is he...

You will _____ what you think.

1. Everything begins with a thought.
2. What we think determines who we are. Who we are determines what we do.
3. Our thoughts determine our destiny. Our destiny determines our legacy.
4. People who go to the top think differently.
5. We can change the way we think.

2 Cor 10:4-5

4(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

5 Casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

THOUGHTS + IMAGINATIONS = STRONGHOLDS

James 1:8 A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

Our thinking must be in line with God's Word, because we cannot believe beyond the actual knowledge we have of the Word of God.

Matt 12:34-35

34 ...for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

1 Peter 5:7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

AMP Casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about watchfully.

To "cast" means to throw off, throw aside, or throw away.

Pressure develops when we don't cast those down, or cast them upon Him and look to Him for our help.

Tribulation = pressure

John 16:33 Amp I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have [perfect] peace and confidence. In the world you have tribulation and trials and distress and frustration; but be of good cheer [take courage; be confident, certain, undaunted]! For I have overcome the world. [I have deprived it of power to harm you and have conquered it for you.]

Prov 3:5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart; and lean not unto your own understanding.

Make up your mind you will not worry, because worry is sin.

Rom 14:23 ...for whatsoever is not of faith is sin.

Ps 37:5 Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.

Ps 55:22 Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

Prov 16:3 Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.

John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

Thinking and meditating on things other than the Word doesn't give life.

Get hold of the fact that your abundant living depends on your obedience to the Word.

Worry magnifies the problem. **Worry is fear _____ over faith.**

2 Tim 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

AMP For God did not give us a spirit of timidity (of cowardice, of craven and cringing and fawning fear), but [He has given us a spirit] of power and of love and of calm and well-balanced mind and discipline and self-control.

Worry is also _____ God has given us.

As you are meditating you are using your imagination.

When you renew your mind with God's Word, then you can use your imagination properly. As a person meditates in line with the Word, he sees things as they really are according to God's Word not just the way they appear in the natural. You begin to see things with the eye of faith.

Where do God-thoughts come from? The Word & the Holy Spirit.

How do we receive them? By reading & meditating upon His Word.

Josh 1:8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shall meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shall make thy way prosperous, and then thou shall have good success.

Ps 1:2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Ps 119:15 I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.

Rom 12:1-2

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye **transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

You can't afford to think and act apart from God's Word. Your life will flow in the direction of your thoughts.

You must take _____ in your thought life.

If you don't; it can create confusion, doubt, and instability. It can cause you to misinterpret the voice and direction of God in and for your life. It may mean the difference between life & death, victory & defeat, success or failure.

Don't be _____ in your thought life, be _____.

What to think on:

Phil 4:6-9

6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

7 And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.

1- Good thinking creates the foundation for good results.

2- Good thinking increases your potential.

3- Good thinking produces more good thinking...if you make it a habit.

DAILY CONFESSIONS & MEDITATIONS:

Joel 3:10 Let the weak say, I am strong.

Rom 8:37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

Rom 8:31 If God *be* for us, who *can be* against us?

Eph 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

Phi 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Phi 4:19 But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

1Pe 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

1John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

1John 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith.