

Christian Perspectives: the power of your words

There is great vibrational power in the use of words, both written and spoken.

Proverbs 18:21 declares, "the tongue has the power of life and death." A few years ago I had the privilege of attending a three day seminar taught by a medical practitioner named Dr. Robin Hyman. During that time he demonstrated the vibrational power of words, written, spoken and even thought on the physical body. The illustration was performed in a blind test format. I have personally repeated the test a number of times and the results are always the same. Negative words have a negative impact upon our world and people and positive words have a positive impact upon our world and people.

Is it any wonder Jesus says as recorded in Matthew 12:36-37, "But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned." As a result the Apostle Paul recommends, "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen" (Ephesians 4:29).

What has this to do with the Christmas season? Everything! You may have been hearing something about the need to put Christ back into Christmas. Beyond that, there is also a push to stand against the concept of being "politically correct" in the use of the words relating to this time of year. Most people do not realize the removal of the words, "Christ" and "Christmas" from greetings and salutations at this time of year is a deliberate action to dis-empower people and separate them from the benefits and blessings which come from the multiplied usage of these words. Take the time to investigate for yourself the value of hope, love, joy and peace. These are but four of the gifts identified by the Advent candles as a result of the Son of God coming into our world. You can discover there are many others, if you take the time to investigate. So, let me ask you, are you comfortable with contributing to the diminishment of such virtues as hope, love, joy and peace in our world? Do you believe our world is a better place if these are lost for the sake of political correctness so someone may not be offended? Perhaps it is time for those who claim to follow Jesus Christ to begin declaring, "I am offended by those who are seeking by the use of weak and powerless words to rob everyone on this planet of the blessings and benefits of God."

There have always been those who make a deliberate choice to oppose God and that will continue throughout time. But, do you really want to be a supporter of those who do? The words of Jesus recorded in Matthew 12:36-37 tell us, "But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned."

Whether written, spoken or thought "words matter. I believe we need to make sure our words are carefully chosen, because they reflect the true nature of who we are. Matthew 12:34 records Jesus as saying, "For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks."

Will you be an influencer and power for God and the benefit of others? What you think, and what you believe, and what you say matters, because it impacts your actions which determine the outcomes in your life. So I say to you, "Merry Christmas and may God richly bless you in the coming New Year."

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