



Power Of Words.
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Our words carry the key to our victory in God.

Few of us realize how our spoken words dominate us. As we study the Word of God we can see that it teaches us to never speak failure, never talk defeat, and never, for a moment, say that God's grace and ability cannot get us the help that we need.

Proverbs 18:20 reads that **"a man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth"**– or we could say that **we fill our hearts with the words that we speak**. Earlier on in the same book, chapter 4 verse 23, we see that God tells us to **"above all, keep your heart, for out of it flows everything having to do with your life"** (paraphrased version).

It is so simple yet so profound and, of course, very challenging to live by. We must understand, our future is in our hearts and in our mouths – provided that it lines up with the Word of God. This makes the prophetic so very important and it makes us the prophets of our own lives. This is how we accept our salvation, by believing and confessing Jesus as our Lord and Savior (Romans 10:10). This is how we receive all the promises of God that He gave us in His book, by believing in our hearts and confessing with our mouths.

This is a truth that many Christians know about but not many walk in. Why is that? Because **the moment that you think that you have it, you lose it**. Or as Paul put it: He that thinks that he has knowledge has not yet acquired the knowledge that he ought to have. The truth has become a mental concept and not a living promise. It should be like eating and breathing, something that we practice on a daily basis.

I remember when I was to play the cello in my first solo performance at *Stenhammar Salen* in Göteborg, Sweden. As I prayed I was very concerned about myself, about what I could or could not do. Then suddenly the Holy Spirit spoke to me two words, **"God can."** I began to speak and confess these words, my heart became calm, and I was able to remember the music and enjoy the performance together with the audience. **For God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind** (2 Timothy 1:7). God wants us to trust Him and His ability more than ourselves and our abilities. He wants us to speak His Word over our lives even when it does not look like any of it is coming to pass. He is telling us: **Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will give you strength and I will help you; yes, I will uphold you with the right hand of my righteousness** (Isaiah 41:10 paraphrased version).

Let's **enlarge the place of our habitation, enlarge the vision of our lives' importance in the kingdom of God, and boldly confess that God is with us and that all things are possible to us in Him**. Scriptures to study: Proverbs 18:20, Proverbs 4:23, Romans 10:10, 2 Timothy 1:7, Isaiah 41:10

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