THE POWER OF THE TONGUE

"Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit." Proverbs 18:21

When $\exists \forall \exists \forall (Yahuah)$ is using the word "Power," He is telling us that every single one of us has power residing in our tongues with the words that we release to effect other people and situations. And with this kind of power residing in our ability to release spoken words to other people, $\exists \forall \exists \forall (Yahuah)$ then tells us what can happen with this kind of power. This power can either be used to bring life or death to the person that we are speaking to. Think of the responsibility and ramifications of this revelation, that our spoken words to other people can either bring them life or bring them death!

Our words are a powerful thing. What you can do with your words are more powerful than what you do with your hands. If you want to hurt someone, the tongue is much more effective than the fist. If you want to apologize to someone, all the flowers in the world won't accomplish what a few sincere words like, "I repent of what I said and done", 'I'm truly sorry' or I love you helps.

You can either choose to learn how to speak and release positive words of love, affirmation, encouragement and edification to other people in your own personal dealings, or you can choose to release negative words of condemnation, criticism, coldness and harshness. The choice is yours!

TAMING THE TONGUE

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ² For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³ If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴ Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵ So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶ And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hades. ⁷ For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸ but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With it we Barak (Bless) our Adon (Lord, Master) and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of Alhym (God). ¹⁰ From the same mouth come Barakah (Blessing) and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹ Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹² Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water. **James 3:3-12**

Amunah (Faith) is not merely something we believe; it also involves what we say and confess. "For with the heart man believes unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" **Romans 10:10.** "There is one who speaks like the piercings of a sword, but the tongue of the wise promotes health. The truthful lip shall be established forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment." **Proverbs 12:18**

"Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking guile. Depart from evil, and do good; seek Shalum (Peace), and pursue it." **Psalm 34:13**

"A man's stomach shall be satisfied from the fruit of his mouth, and from the produce of his lips he shall be filled." **Proverbs 18:20**

"AYAI (Yahuah) has given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him who is weary." **Isaiah 50:4**

"Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time. Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one." **Colossians 4:5**

"The mouth of the righteous is a well of life, but violence covers the mouth of the wicked." **Proverbs 10:11**

"The words of a man's mouth are deep waters; the wellspring of wisdom is a flowing brook." **Proverbs 18:4**

"A wholesome tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit." Proverbs 15:4

"Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the bones." **Proverbs 16:24**

"Anxiety in the heart of man causes depression, but a good word makes it glad." **Proverbs** 12:25

"A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. The tongue of the wise uses knowledge rightly, but the mouth of fools pours forth foolishness." **Proverbs 15:1**

"He who guards his mouth preserves his life, but he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction." **Proverbs 13:3**

"Whoever guards his mouth and tongue keeps his soul from troubles." Proverbs 21:23

"The heart of the righteous studies how to answer, but the mouth of the wicked pours forth evil." **Proverbs 15:28**

"Set a guard AYAI (Yahuah) over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips." **Psalm** 141:3

If you will notice, some of the verses have two (2) sides to them. On the one (1) side are the positive benefits and Barkah (Blessings) we can receive as the result of learning how to speak properly to others. On the other side are the negative things that can occur as a result of not properly expressing yourself to others, either in the specific words that you choose to say to a person or in the way or manner in which you say these words to a person.

Your condition will always parallel your confession. The Word of $\exists \forall \exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall ahuah) tells us why: "For as he thinks in his heart, so is he"$ **Proverbs 23:7**, and "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks"**Matthew 12:34**.

If you think you will fail, you will. If you say you can't, then you can't. If you confess you are sick, you will be sick. If you say you cannot overcome the problem, then you cannot. If you confess that you will be defeated, you will. Why? It is because you will generally experience what you think and confess.

Our words have power to afflict or oppress increases or decreases in direct proportion to the positive or negative nature of our confession. The importance of our confession is to be seen in OWY (Yahusha)'s warning that "by your words you shall be justified, and by your words you shall be condemned" **Matthew 12:37**.

In **Revelation 12:10** HaSatan is called "the accuser of the brethren," who stands before the throne of Shamym (Heavens) accusing us day and night. OWYAL (Yahusha), on the other hand, is designated as our Advocate **1 John 2:1**, and the High Priest of our confession **Hebrews 3:1**, who pleads our case without ceasing before the Father.

On what basis is OWYAL (Yahusha) pleading on our behalf? On the basis of two (2) things: His blood, and our confession. HaSatan is overcome by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of our testimony **Revelation 12:11**.

As the High Priest of our confession, OWYAL (Yahusha) is pleading our defense against HaSatan's accusations. He pleads not only with His precious blood, but also with what we say. OWYAL (Yahusha) cannot act as our High Priest if we have negative confessions of doubt, fear, or failure. He can only act as the High Priest of a good confession, which must be in harmony with the Word of AYAL (Yahuah).

A negative confession simply gives our accuser the fiery darts with which to wound us. OWYAŁ (Yahusha) tells us that He has given us authority over all the power of the enemy Luke 10:17-19, and that all power in Shamyim (heavens) and earth has been given unto Him, which He in turn has committed unto us Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:17-20.

Victory will not be ours until we believe it and confess that it belongs to you. $\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall huah)$ expects us to confess that we have been liberated and renewed in mind, body, soul, and spirit, for our circumstances and condition will never rise above the level of what we believe we are in $\bigcirc \forall \forall \exists \forall (\forall husha)$. The Scriptures declare that "you are complete in him" Colossians 2:10, that you have been liberated from the "Power of darkness" Colossians 1:13, as well as from the effects if the curse Galatians 3:13, and that you are now sons of $\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall husha)$ and jointheirs with $\bigcirc \forall \forall \exists \forall (\forall husha)$.

য়পর‡ (Yahuah) has given us all things in OWYর‡ (Yahusha), as joint-heirs with Him **Romans** 8:16-17.

It is tragic that HaSatan is able to keep believers in such bondage because they have not been taught what really belongs to them as joint heirs with OWY31 (Yahusha). Frequently we hear believers confessing what they cannot do. We hear them say,

• I just can't seem to receive my healing.

- I'm afraid to testify in public.
- I can't get out of debt, no matter how hard I try.
- I can't get along with my employer or co-workers.

• I may have to leave the service early. I don't feel very good. ... And so on. This is often the way many believers talk.

One (1) thing is certain: you will never be able to do more than you are willing to confess that you can do in $OWY \mathfrak{AI}$ (Yahusha). To walk in victory, you should never confess that you cannot do something, or that anything is impossible, for the Scriptures say that you should always confess, "I can do all things through $OWY \mathfrak{AI}$ (Yahusha) which strengthens me" **Philippians** 4:13.

OWYAZ (Yahusha) said, "He that believes on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do" John 14:12

Kepha (Peter) began to sink when he confessed that he could not stand on the water, which he had been walking upon. OWYAT (Yahusha) promises us that we shall receive whatsoever we say. In **Romans 10:10** Our confession is the means by which we obtain possession of that which we believe." The reason the Scriptures place such an emphasis upon positive confession is that we will never rise above the level of our confession.

"Do not be a witness against your neighbor without cause, for would you deceive with your lips? Do not say, "I will do to him just as he has done to me; I will render to the man according to his work." **Proverbs 24:28**

"A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who speaks lies will not escape." **Proverbs** 19:5

"Lying lips are an abomination to AYAL (Yahuah), but those who deal truthfully are His delight." **Proverbs 12:22**

"Getting treasures by a lying tongue is the fleeting fantasy of those who seek death." **Proverbs** 21:6

Notice the second (2nd) verse says that anyone who bears a false witness will not go unpunished. The first (1st) verse tells us that we cannot even try to bear false witness against someone even as a matter of personal revenge. Scripture tells us that any type of vengeance or payback always belongs to $\Im Y \Im \Im$ (Yahuah). It does not belong to you or to any of your friends who would like to try and get even for you.

Many people have lost some of their best friends and Brethren as a result of getting caught talking behind their backs or spreading personal information about them. Once that personal trust has been violated to any significant degree in a good relationship, it will be very hard to get them to ever be able to trust you again.

These next 6 verses are a true word to the wise.

1. "But shun profane and vain babblings, for they will increase to more unrighteousness. And their message will spread like cancer." **2 Timothy 2:16**

2. "In all labor there is profit, but idle chatter leads only to poverty." Proverbs14:23

3. "A talebearer reveals secrets, but he who is of a faithful spirit conceals a matter." **Proverbs** 11:13

4. "A brother offended is harder to win than a strong city ..." Proverbs 18:19

5. "A perverse man sows' strife, and a whisperer separates the best of friends." Proverbs 16:28

6. "... but he who repeats a matter separates the best of friends." Proverbs 17:9

GUARD YOUR CONFESSION

The Scriptures tell us that we shall receive whatever we confess; therefore, if we desire to walk in victory 365 days a year, we must develop the habit of making a positive confession when we speak. How is this accomplished? The secret of a positive confession is six (6)-fold.

For "Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit; **1 Peter 3:10**

I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak, for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned." **Matthew 12:36-37**

If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. **James 1:26**

But no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. James 3:8

Out of my distress I called on $\exists Y \exists I$ (Yahuah); $\exists Y \exists I$ (Yahuah) answered me and set me free. Psalm 118:5

There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. **Proverbs 12:18**

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; **James** 1:19

When words are many, transgression is not lacking, but whoever restrains his lips is prudent. **Proverbs 10:19**

The heart of the righteous ponders how to answer, but the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things. **Proverbs 15:28**

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also, the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. **James 3:5-8**

With patience a ruler may be persuaded, and a soft tongue will break a bone. Proverbs 25:15

Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. **Ephesians 5:4**

The tongue of the wise commends knowledge, but the mouths of fools pour out folly. **Proverbs 15:2**

You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am 3Y31 (Yahuah). Leviticus 19:16

A fool's mouth is his ruin, and his lips are a snare to his soul. **Proverbs 18:7**

Your tongue plots destruction, like a sharp razor, you worker of deceit. Psalm 52:2

Whoever goes about slandering reveals secrets; therefore, do not associate with a simple babbler. **Proverbs 20:19**

O $\exists \forall \exists \forall$ (Yahuah), who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your Qadosh (Holy) hill? He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend; **Psalm 15:1-3**

With his mouth the godless man would destroy his neighbor, but by knowledge the righteous are delivered. **Proverbs 11:9**

There are six (6) things that $\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall h) hates, seven (7) that are an abomination to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,$ **Proverbs 6:16-17**

My soul is in the midst of lions; I lie down amid fiery beasts— the children of man, whose teeth are spears and arrows, whose tongues are sharp swords. **Psalm 57:4**

But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. **Colossians 3:8**

My son, if you have put up security for your neighbor, have given your pledge for a stranger, if you are snared in the words of your mouth, caught in the words of your mouth, then do this my son, and save

yourself, for you have come into the hand of your neighbor: go, hasten, and plead urgently with your neighbor. **Proverbs 6:1-35**

To speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people. **Titus 3:2**

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. **Ephesians 4:25**

Whoever slanders his neighbor secretly I will destroy. Whoever has a haughty look and an arrogant heart I will not endure. **Psalm 101:5**

May $\exists \forall \exists \forall \exists \forall (Yahuah)$ cut off all flattering lips, the tongue that makes great boasts, those who say, "With our tongue we will prevail, our lips are with us; who is master over us?" **Psalm 12:3-4**

The north wind brings forth rain, and a backbiting tongue, angry looks. Proverbs 25:23

Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the Turah (law) and judges the Turah (law). But if you judge the Turah (law), you are not a doer of the Turah (law) but a judge. **James 4:11**

He is puffed up with conceit and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy craving for controversy and for quarrels about words, which produce envy, dissension, slander, evil suspicions, **1 Timothy 6:4**

Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person. **Colossians 4:6**

There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." Mark 7:15

But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. Matthew 15:18

The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks. **Luke 6:45**

"Their throat is an open grave; they use their tongues to deceive." "The venom of asps is under their lips." "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness." **Romans 3:13-14**

Let not your mouth lead you into sin, and do not say before the messenger that it was a mistake. Why should 3Y31 (Yahuah) be angry at your voice and destroy the work of your hands? Ecclesiastes 5:6

A worthless man plots evil, and his speech is like a scorching fire. Proverbs 16:27

The words of the wicked lie in wait for blood, but the mouth of the upright delivers them. **Proverbs** 12:6

First (1st), you must set a watch on your lips, and guard your mind. If we expect to walk in health, prosperity, and victory, then we must, first (1st) of all, pray as David, "Set a watch,

য়পর্ব (Yahuah) before my mouth; keep the door of my lips" **Psalms 141:3**, confessing "I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle." **Psalm 39:1.**

As the Scriptures urge, "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers" **Ephesians 4:29.**

A positive confession begins with a sanctified silence. $\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall ahuah) admonishes us to stop confessing our doubts, symptoms, and fears, as well as our uncertainties, and to "be still and know that I am <math>\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall ahuah)$ " **Psalm 46:10.**

"Be not rash with your mouth, and let not your heart be hasty to utter anything before 3Y32 (Yahuah)." Ecclesiastes 5:2

Likewise, you should refuse entrance into your mind anything of a negative, contrary, resentful, or depressive nature. Guard your heart and mind, for this is the place the Enemy usually works the hardest, knowing that you will generally confess what you think, believe or feel, for "out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks.

There is a continual warfare going on between $\exists Y \exists I$ (Yahuah) and HaSatan for the control of your mind and thoughts. If HaSatan can gain control here, he knows that he can largely determine what you will say and confess which in turn will affect the course of events in your life. In this way he can limit or destroy your effectiveness in the Kingdom of $\exists Y \exists I$ (Yahuah). So, then, the secret of a positive confession is first (1st) to set a watch on your lips and to guard the door of your mind.

One of the greatest causes for defeat in the lives of a believer is the tongue. A negative confession, or a confession of doubt, is your own admission that you are defeated. Develop a vocabulary of Amunah (Faith) from 3Y31 (Yahuah)'s Word.

HARMONIZE YOUR CONFESSION WITH 직거치구 (YAHUAH)'S

A positive confession must extend even to our praying, or we cannot expect $\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall huah)$ to answer our prayers. $\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall huah)$ never works in advance of the level of your Amunah (Faith), for your Amunah (Faith) is the channel through which He works to answer your Prayers. Do not expect $\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall huah)$ to Barak (Bless) you in spite of your negative confession, for He has promised to help those who are willing to confess by Amunah (Faith) what He has said and promised to do 1 John 5:14-15.

CONFESS VICTORY BEFORE YOU SEE IT.

Gideon and his small band of 300 men shouted the victory beforehand, and as a result the Midianites became so frightened that they destroyed one another in their confusion. The

Yasharalites (Israelites) did not wait until the walls of Yericho began to crumble before believing that 3Y34 (Yahuah) had given the city into their hands, but they shouted the walls down by Amunah (Faith). Shaul (Paul) tells in **Hebrews 11:1** that "Amunah (Faith) is the evidence of things not seen." Amunah (Faith) is not sight. Amunah (Faith) can only operate in the realm of the invisible, concerning those things which we have prayed for, but which we do not see manifested to our sight.

Amunah (Faith) is confessing the victory ahead of time; it is confessing you have the answer when you Pray, believing 3Y31 (Yahuah) to give the manifestation in due time as He has promised **Hebrews 10:23, 35-36; Numbers 23:19**. You are only entitled to that which you boldly confess is already yours by virtue of 3Y31 (Yahuah)'s faithfulness.

HOLD FAST TO YOUR CONFESSION OF AMUNAH (FAITH) WITHOUT WAVERING.

Once you confess a promise of AYAL (Yahuah), you must absolutely refuse to take a word of your confession back, regardless of the circumstances, or how long you must wait for the manifestation of the answer. Why? We are told in **Hebrews 10:23**, "Let us hold fast the confession of our Amunah (Faith) without wavering; for he is Faithful as Promised."

We are to maintain a daily, constant confession of Amunah (Faith) in the promise we have claimed until it is manifested. Many can believe a promise and claim it in Prayer initially; but if the answer is not manifested soon enough, they begin to waver and doubt, giving up their confession of Amunah (Faith). As a result, they receive nothing.

If you are tempted to doubt, boldly Hold fast to your confession of Amunah (Faith) without wavering **Hebrews 10:23**

whereby you keep Amunah (Faith) in the promise of $\exists Y \exists I$ (Yahuah) until the manifestation of the answer.

We must keep in mind that mental attitudes are vitally important; the power of thought and suggestion over our bodies is phenomenal. If believers could realize just how much of their own illness, depression, problems, and defeat stem from emotional stress that results from wrong attitudes and thoughts, as well as from their negative statements concerning these matters, they would never again allow such attitudes and expressions to rob them of their Health, Joy, Shalum (Peace), and Victory, but would begin each day with a Positive Expectation, Confessing: This is the day which a a transfer (Yahuah) has made; I will rejoice and be glad in it."

The importance and necessity of our confession is evident when $OWY \exists \forall$ (Yahusha) informs us in **Matthew 10:32-33** and **John 12:42-43** that salvation involves confession as well as belief. We are admonished twice in the Book of Hebrews to "hold fast the confession of our Amunah (Faith) without wavering" **Hebrews 10:23, 35-36**, and $OWY \exists \forall$ (Yahusha) teaches us in **Mark 11:23** that whatever we confess in Amunah (Faith) will come to pass.

OWYAL (Yahusha) came to give us an abundant life, a life free from sin, sickness, poverty, fear, depression, worry, and defeat. However, most believers have allowed their words to rob them of their Joy and Shalum (Peace), as well as their Health and Prosperity, through his influence upon their thoughts and their confession.

If you confess what the Word of AYAT (Yahuah) says about your sins 1 John 1:9, you receive forgiveness. In the same manner, if you confess what His Word says about your diseases Psalm 103:3; James 5:14-15, you will receive healing.

The Scriptures declare that "by his stripes you were healed" **1 Peter 2:24**. AYAL (Yahuah)'s Word states, that you are to believe that you have received the answer to your petition when you Pray **Mark 11:24**. Thus, any confession that does not harmonize with what the Scriptures say will nullify the Word of AYAL (Yahuah) on your behalf.

Some individuals who lack understanding of the Scriptures concerning the importance of maintaining a positive confession, even in the face of symptoms or circumstances, will ask, "But isn't it dishonest to say that I am healed when I still have my pain and symptoms?"

It is never dishonest to confess what the Scriptures tell you to say about your condition. It is not mere suggestion, but a confession of $\exists \forall \exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall ahuah)$'s Word when you confess that $\exists \forall \exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall ahuah)$ has heard and answered your petition when you pray Mark 11:24; I John 5:14-15.

The reason $\exists \forall \exists \forall (\forall ahuah)$ requires us to confess, not what we feel or see, but what His Word promises us, is that our condition and circumstances generally remain on about the same level as our confession. You will continue to remain bound, poor, sick, and oppressed by being ensnared by your own words when you make negative confessions.

Are you aware that as you begin each day it is you that will determine the nature of the day you will have, as well as its outcome? Are you aware that you have been given the choice of deciding whether or not you will be happy or sad, sick or well, worried or calm, victorious or defeated? Now you know, so now is the time to utilize the Power of the Tongue to destroy the works of the enemy, to tear down strongholds and to declare the promises of Scripture for all to hear. Allow your tongue to become an instrument for the kingdom use. I've got the Power of the Ruch renewing my mind, so my confessions conform to the word of arat (Yahuah). HalluYAH!!!