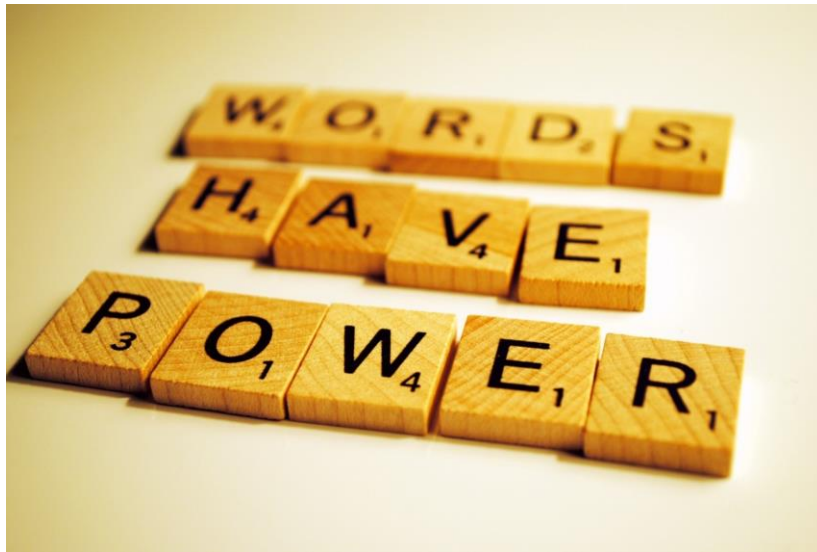


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# THE TRUTH HERALD

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## Power of Your Words



**1 - Genesis 1** *Then God said ... Then God said ... Then God said ... Then God said ...*

The power of God's words are undeniable in Genesis 1 in the creation account. Since then God has blessed mankind with the power of words. What a man or woman filled with the Spirit of God says is powerful. We have been given authority to 'say' things into being. Jesus said "Amen I say to you, that whosoever shall say to this mountain, Be thou removed and be cast into the sea, and shall not stagger in his heart, but believe, that whatsoever he saith shall be done; it shall be done unto him". Mark 11:23

**2 - Acts 1:8** *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

**2 Corinthians 5:17** *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.*

**2 Timothy 1:7** *For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.*

When we become born-again we are a new creation, filled with the Spirit of God Himself. Such a Spirit-filled being is controlled by The Holy Spirit. Therefore any utterance from that Spirit-filled, Spirit-Controlled, or an SFSC, is such a powerful tool to cause things to happen and also to bless.

**3 - John 6:60-63** Many of his disciples said, "This is very hard to understand. How can anyone accept it?" Jesus was aware that his disciples were complaining, so he said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what will you think if you see the Son of Man ascend to heaven again? The Spirit alone gives eternal life. Human effort accomplishes nothing. And the very words I have spoken to you are spirit and life.

Jesus affirmed this fact, that the very words He spoke are spirit and life. The words of an SFSC, like Jesus, with whom we are joint-heirs of the Father, are spirit and life. An awareness of this is critical and the whole purpose of sharing this piece. In Isaiah 55:11, God said "So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it." A SFSC believer, must have the same expectation that words that go out of his or her mouth will accomplish that which God has purposed and shall succeed in the thing that God has intended. Why is this possible?

**4 - Ephesians 2:10** For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

**John 7:38** Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'

**Luke 6:45** 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.

We are God's splendid workmanship. He created us anew in Christ Jesus so that we can do the good things he planned for us long ago. His plan for us is to take dominion over His creation as He made us in His image. So the same way He spoke and it had a powerful effect is still His intention for us today; for the SFSC believer. Then out of our hearts and mouth will flow rivers of living waters to satisfy a thirsty world, and out of the good treasure of our hearts, because the Holy Spirit resides there, will come goodness.

### 5 - Power of our words

Scripture talks a lot about the power of our words so imagine the power of the words of a SFSC believer. Here are a few.

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

Ephesians 4:29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

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

Proverbs 16:24 Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body.

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

What we say matters, especially the believer with the Holy Spirit residing in him. We have the power to bless our family, neighbors, colleagues, anyone we encounter. There is supernatural power in our tongue that we must appropriate through faith.

*6 - James 3:7-12 People can tame all kinds of animals, birds, reptiles, and fish, but no one can tame the tongue. It is restless and evil, full of deadly poison. Sometimes it praises our Lord and Father, and sometimes it curses those who have been made in the image of God. And so blessing and cursing come pouring out of the same mouth. Surely, my brothers and sisters, this is not right! Does a spring of water bubble out with both fresh water and bitter water? Does a fig tree produce olives, or a grapevine produce figs? No, and you can't draw fresh water from a salty spring.*

The Holy Spirit can tame our tongue when He comes to reside in us. Then our tongue can bless the Lord and bless those who have been made in the image of God. The patriarchs made it a habit to bless their children and people they loved. Those blessings were highly regarded and cherished. The presence of the Holy Spirit in the believer gives power to our words to heal or to bless or to move mountains. We are created in the image of God who spoke and things came into being. Therefore as born-again, SFSC believers, we have inherited that power in our words.

*7 - 2 Timothy 1:7-9:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline. So never be ashamed to tell others about our Lord. And don't be ashamed of me, either, even though I'm in prison for him. With the strength God gives you, be ready to suffer with me for the sake of the Good News. For God saved us and called us to live a holy life. He did this, not because we deserved it, but because that was his plan from before the beginning of time—to show us his grace through Christ Jesus.*

It is God Himself who has endowed us with this spirit of power, love and self-control. When we constantly operate in this realization our words are the 'tree of life' and our hearers are affected by what they hear from us. It is not just our words, but our words backed by the Holy Spirit, by faith. Why not begin to exercise this great power God has so freely given to us that He can operate through the words we say as if they are coming from Him. Oh that we will know that we can say to the mountain 'be moved' and it shall move, because the Holy Spirit residing in us, will use it for God's glory!