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**A FAITH THAT WORKS: TALK LESS**  
**James 1:19; Matt. 12:33-37**

**Talking less (importance). James 1:19; Matt. 12:33-37**

- Our words reveal who we **really** are. Matt. 12:33; Luke 6:43-45; Gal. 5:16-24; John 15:1-8; 2 Cor. 5:17; 2 Pet. 1:4
- Our words **reveal** our hearts. Matt. 12:34-35; 15:18-19; Luke 6:45; James 1:26; 3:8; Prov. 23:7
- Our words make us **accountable** for what we say. Matt. 12:36-37; Ps. 139:4; James 1:26; Eph. 2:10; Matt. 10:15; Rom. 10:10; 15:18; 12:1-2; Ps. 141:3

**Talking less (what it can say to others). Prov. 10:19, 21; 12:18; 13:3; 15:1, 28; 18:21; 29:20; Eph. 4:29**

- Words that bring **hurt** to others.
- Words that bring **healing** to others.

**Talking less (how we talk less).**

- Having a changed **life** leads to a changed heart. Matt. 12:36-37; Luke 6:45; Rom. 12:1-2; John 1:12; Ez. 36:26; Eph. 4:22-24; Rom. 8:29
- Having the Holy Spirit to **control** our hearts which controls our words. Rom. 8:5-6; 2 Cor. 5:2; Eph. 5:18; Gal. 5:16-26; John 16:15-18; 14:16-17; Rom. 8:1-7
- Having to **feed** our spiritual nature. Ps. 119:11; 2 Pet. 3:18; 1 Cor. 13:11; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; Luke 9:23