

Application Questions

...*be doers of the word, and not bearers only*... (James 1:22, ESV)

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Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; 1 Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs and/or actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

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1. Both Paul (Col 4; Eph 4) and James (Jas 3) teach that when we are made a new man in Christ we are given a new tongue—i.e., new patterns of speech. Take a quick tour of the NT to make a list of what you are and are not to do with your tongue.
 2. While you are touring the NT this week, make a second list of how many of the “one-anothers” are accomplished with your words. Pray for God's grace to use your tongue for edification rather than gossip, lying, etc.

Here are some resources that might help you as you grow in your knowledge of and obedience to Christ.

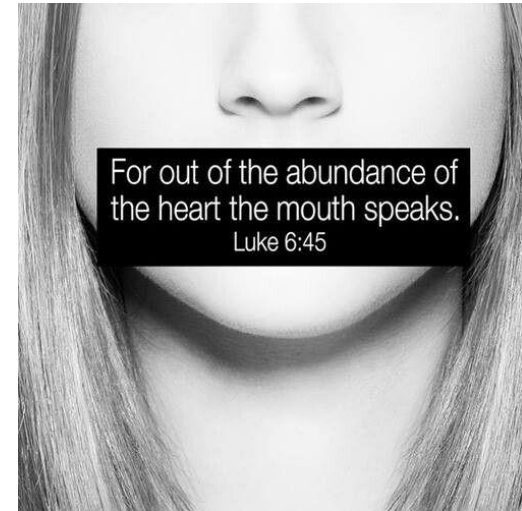
The Pursuit of Holiness (Jerry Bridges)

Words that Hurt, Words that Heal (Carole Mayhall)

The Tongue: Our Measure (Simo Ralevic)

Holiness (J.C. Ryle)

War of Words (Paul David Tripp)



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COLOSSIANS 4:2-6

Sermon Notes

Thomas Brooks: “We know metals by their tinkling, and men by their talking.”

J.C. Ryle: “A word spoken is physically transient but morally permanent.”
