

Hebrews 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever." **That means the way He operates and the way the anointing operates is still the same today as it did when Jesus was in His earthly ministry.** Words operate today the same way they did then, too.

Learn to pray, speak and believe the Bible way and you will always win the "**War of Words**"!

Scripture meditation for the Week:

So it is with the word by these lips of Mine once uttered; **it will not come back an empty echo**, the way it went; all My will it carries out, speeds on it's errand. **Isaiah 55:11, Knox's Translation**

This is the Twentieth Anniversary reprint of the first series from Weekly Wisdom. Twenty years ago the Lord showed me this format in a vision and I began to produce this as a bulletin insert each week for a number of years. I was impressed to reintroduce this to you in this anniversary year, so enjoy!

I trust you have enjoyed this four-part series on "**The War of Words**". Take these studies and read them several times over. Meditate on the scripture references. Talk to the Lord about these things and ask Him how you can apply them in your own life.

Become a doer of the Word not just a hearer only. Dedicate right now to put the Word to work in your life and watch what begins to happen as you reap the benefit of what the Word of God can produce in the life of a believer - a real believer!

God bless you and thank you for giving the Word of God your attention for a while. I tell you from personal experience that time invested in the Word is **never** time wasted. It will always bear a great harvest of God's power in your life. See you again next week and remember...**JESUS IS LORD!**

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The War of Words Part 4

This week I want to continue looking into how our words and prayer life must work together in order for us to get the results we desire from our prayers. There are certain things which have to be maintained in agreement for the power of God to flow unhindered. Consistency in and out of the prayer closet is a must for maximum results to be seen.

Let's look at **Mark 11:22-24** to refresh ourselves in what Jesus said about faith, words and prayer:

22. So Jesus answered and said unto them, "Have faith in God.
23. For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, Be removed and be cast into the sea, and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.
24. Therefore I say unto you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.

In **verse 22**, Jesus said "Have faith in God". A more accurate way of translating that would be "Have the God-kind of faith". In other words, this is the way God's faith works; if you're going to use God's faith it works like this...

God's faith is released by speaking words. Those words are an expression of your belief. What you believe is what you have received in prayer. So, what Jesus is telling us is that what is spoken to the mountain is based upon what we have believed and received in prayer. What we say to the mountain should be determined by what we have received from God in prayer.

Verse 23 makes it clear that we are to believe that what we say will come to pass. For this to come to full effect in our lives we must go before God and commit before Him that every word which we say is what will come to pass in our lives. That, in the reality of life, is what is happening anyway. What you say is what you believe.

Look at **2 Corinthians 4:13**:

13. And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak.

Believing and speaking, speaking and believing; that is the attitude and life of faith. We are to believe what God has said and then on that basis align everything we say to agree with God's Word. Everything we say! In prayer, in public, when you are by yourself and no one else is there to hear it but you and God and the devil.

I heard someone say just recently, "Words mean things." Words are spiritual containers. Words are your connection to the realm of the spirit. Words are the currency of the realm of the spirit. As spirit-beings we speak words in this natural realm and draw out of the realm of the spirit the things for which our words are calling.

As we finish this study, there is something most interesting I want you take notice of concerning words. Look at what Jesus said in His prayer to the Father in **John 17** concerning His disciples and the Word of God.

- 8. For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them...
- 14. I have given them your word...
- 17. Sanctify them by Your truth. Your Word is truth.

Jesus gave His disciples the one thing they would have to have to tap into the resources of Heaven, God's Word. Without God's Word, heaven and the realm of God's glory and supply would be unobtainable by mankind. There would be no way to access God's power. His power and supply can only be obtained through speaking faith-filled words.

The woman with the issue of blood in **Mark 5** tapped into the anointing of God on Jesus by speaking words of faith. Those very words of faith which she spoke became the words of prayer which when acted upon produced the desired result.

Jesus told her in **verse 34** of **Mark 5**, "Daughter, your faith has made you well..." He did not say it was His anointing that did it, but her faith. She believed if she would just touch Jesus' clothes she would be healed. She said that continually. The spirit of faith in her made her speak what she believed. She kept that up until she got into the presence of Jesus where the anointing of God was abiding. Her faith tapped into the anointing, and healing manifested in her body as a result of what her faith-filled words drew out of it.

I want you to look at one final scripture and let the truth of this sink down deep into your spirit.