

OUR WORDS EXPOSE OUR HEART

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"The good man brings good things out of the good stored in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks."

Luke 6:45 NIV.



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People listen to what we say each time we speak. Any time we talk to we take the risk of exposing our heart based on what we say. Christians like to think we don't say things that reflect evil in our heart, but it's far from true. When we speak words that reveal the evil in our heart it reveals the darkness that's working within us that is corrupt.

Many of us are selective about who we reveal this side to as we wish to remain anonymously evil to the masses. Sometimes the evil in our heart is revealed quicker than we

realize. Sometimes what we have buried in our heart is such a deep-rooted feeling that we fail to filter the words become they came forth. Our spontaneous reaction was genuine even though it was not right.

Any one of us is subject to this human experience. My prayer is we remain open to the leading of the Holy Spirit that we hear ourselves when this happens and ask for forgiveness. In addition to that we should ask the Lord to change our heart. We should want a change of heart so these stored evil things can be purged and we continue being transformed into the likeness of Jesus. I never want to deny what my words reveal about my heart. Denial is not growth; instead it's death (stagnancy). To go, grow and glow in change one should desire for the words of one's mouth and the meditation of one's heart to be acceptable in the sight of the Lord.

Thank you, Jesus for allowing my words to expose my heart so I can see where change is needed! Amen

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