

# Please Silence All Cell Phones



# Worship in Song

#### Let The Redeemed

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so Let the redeemed of the Lord say so

#### Let the redeemed of the Lord say so I'm redeemed I'm redeemed Praise the Lord

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#### I Will Sing of the Mercies of The Lord

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever I will sing I will sing I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever I will sing of the mercies of the Lord

With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness Thy faithfulness With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness to all generations

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever I will sing I will sing I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever I will sing of the mercies of the Lord



#### Shout to the Lord

My Jesus my Saviour Lord there is none like You All of my days I want to praise The wonders of Your mighty love

## My comfort my Shelter Tower of refuge and strength Let every breath all that I am Never cease to worship You

**Shout to the Lord** All the earth let us sing Power and majesty Praise to the King Mountains bow down And the seas will roar At the sound of Your name

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I Stand In Awe You are beautiful beyond description Too marvelous for words Too wonderful for comprehension Like nothing ever seen or heard

Who can grasp Your infinite wisdom Who can fathom the depth of Your love You are beautiful beyond description Majesty enthroned above

And I stand I stand in awe of You I stand I stand in awe of You Holy God to whom all praise is due I stand in awe of You

# You are beautiful beyond description Yet God crushed You for my sin In agony and deep affliction Cut off that I might enter in

Who can grasp such tender compassion Who can fathom this mercy so free You are beautiful beyond description Lamb of God who died for me

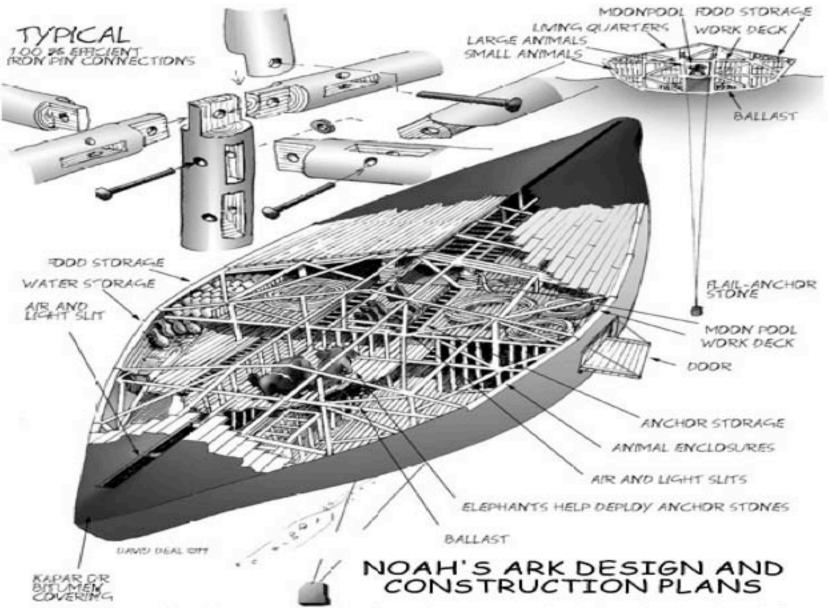
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#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Genesis 6:15-16 "This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark 300 cubits, its breadth 50 cubits, and its height 30 cubits. Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks."



Make an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with tar inside and out. This is how you are to build it: The ark is to be 450 feet 75 feet wide and 45 feet high high



## WORSHIP THE LORD WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS

1 Corinthians 16:2 "On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper, so that there will be no collecting when I come." (ESV)

#### Doxology

Praise God, from whom

all blessings flow:

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav' nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

A-men



# Worship in Song

Glorious Things Of Thee Are Spoken

Glorious things of thee
are spoken
Zion city of our God
He whose word cannot be broken
Formed thee for His own abode

# On the Rock of Ages founded What can shake thy sure repose With salvation's walls surrounded Thou may'st smile at all thy foes

See the streams of living waters
Springing from eternal love
Well supply thy sons
and daughters
And all fear of want remove

Who can faint while such a river Ever flows their thirst to assuage Grace which like the Lord the Giver Never fails from age to age



I Love To Tell The Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and Hid glory, Of Jesus and His Love:

I love to tell the story Because I know tis true; It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.

I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; 'Tis pleasant to repeat What seems each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet:

I love to tell the story, for some have never heard The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.

I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; For those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting, to hear it like the rest:

# And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'Twill be the old, old story The I have loved so long.

I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.



# I sing Praises I sing praises to Your name O Lord Praises to Your name O Lord For Your name is great And greatly to be praised

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I give glory to Your name O Lord Glory to Your name O Lord For Your name is great And greatly to be praised

# I give glory to Your name O Lord Glory to Your name O Lord For Your name is great And greatly to be praised



#### I Love You Lord

I love You Lord And I lift my voice To worship You O my soul rejoice Take joy my King In what You hear May it be a sweet sweet sound In Your ear

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## WORSHIP THE LORD IN HIS WORD

Living Wisely
In A Foolish World

Mastering Your Mouth

Proverbs 12:18; 25:11;

Please open your Bibles and read along with me:



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

Proverbs 25:11 "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. (ESV)



### INTRODUCTION:

The "apples of gold in settings of silver" is meant to give you an image of richness and beauty.

"A word aptly spoken" means
"Advice at the right time".

The proverb is saying that good advice at the right time is beautiful and valuable.

We have all heard the statement; "Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me."

That's a incorrect because words do hurt very much.

Most broken bones heal in a few weeks or months, but the hurt done by words can last a lifetime.

Many adults still feel the emotional hurt of thoughtless words spoken to them in their early childhood.

The book of Proverbs reveals the awesome power of words.

Proverbs 12:18 describes this power.

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This verse tells us our tongues have the power to do two awesome things - hurt or heal.

To master our mouths, we must first consider...

#### I. The Uncontrolled Mouth

The book of Proverbs gives us at least three ways to identify an uncontrolled mouth...

A. It is a lying mouth.

In *Proverbs*, God has much to say about people who lie.

Have you noticed people are fascinated with lists?

For example each year there are lists of the 10 richest people in the world and the 10 best-dressed people in America.

Of course we also have the Ten Commandments in the Bible, as well as a list of six things the Lord hates;

Proverbs 6:16 "There are six things that the LORD <u>hates</u>, seven that are an <u>abomination</u> to him:"

Anything that is greatly disliked!!

# Number two on the list is a lying tongue (6:17).

Proverbs 6:17 "A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,"

It is also really important to notice number six on the list.

What is it?

Proverbs 6:19 "A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren."

Two of the seven things God hates most involve *lying*.

Why does God hate lying?

Because *lying* and liars are exact opposites of God's nature!

Jesus, who is God come to earth in flesh and blood, said:

John 14:6 "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the <u>truth</u>, and the life. <u>No one</u> comes to the Father except through me." (ESV)

1 Peter 2:21-22 "For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit (LIES) found in his mouth." (ESV)

An uncontrolled mouth is a lying mouth, and...

B. It is a gossiping mouth.

In the book of Proverbs, God has much to say about gossip and often calls a person who gossips a "talebearer" or a "whisperer."

# Proverbs 18:8 describes our natural attitude toward gossip.

Proverbs 18:8 "The words of a whisperer are like delicious morsels; they go down into the inner parts of the body." (ESV)

The word translated wounds refers to tasty morsels.

So, hearing gossip is like eating our favorite food, which is taken into our *innermost* being and stimulates our desire for more.

# Why do we like to hear gossip?

Because we have the mistaken idea that when other people look bad, we look better.

Who exactly is a talebearer, or a gossip?

Someone who repeats the private affairs of others.

Some people justify gossip by saying, "It's the truth."

So what?

When you spread hurtful information that is false, that's slander.

Gossip is repeating the private affairs of others, even when the information is true.

One of the most damaging aspects of gossip is that it ruins relationships.

Matthew 12:36 " I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every <u>careless</u> word they speak," (ESV)

Therefore, we need to remember the truth found in...

Proverbs 17:9 "Whoever covers an offense seeks love, but he who repeats a matter separates close friends."

1 Peter 4:8 "Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins."

Would you like for GOD to tell all He knows about you???

We all know of broken relationships and destroyed friendships that are the result of gossip.

The only reason a loving Christian should share sensitive, personal information is...

To help the person or to protect someone else from being hurt by that person.

James 3:2 "For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body." (ESV)

If there were no other text in the Bible to prove that we have need of another righteousness, than any of our own, wherein to stand before God, this text alone would be enough.

C. It is a cursing, or profaning, mouth.

Proverbs 4:24 "Put away from you crooked speech, and put devious talk far from you." (ESV)

The Hebrew word translated DEVIOUS means foul or deviating from what is considered right, not straightforward, shifty or crooked:

The Parents Television Council has released a report that finds that the past five years have seen a 69.3% increase in prime time profanity.

The -word, for instance, showed up 111 times during "family hour" in the fall 2010 season, while that same word only appeared 10 times in 2005.

Parent TV Council President Tim Winter said "Our research is shocking and especially troubling to parents. Not only are harsher profanities like the -word and -word airing during hours when children are likely to be in the viewing audience, but they are airing with greater frequency. Broadcast standards have become so permissive that the term is now an oxymoron.

A figure of speech in which apparently contradictory terms appear in conjunction.

Exodus 20:7 "Thou shalt not take the name of Jehovah thy God in vain; for Jehovah will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain."

Perhaps you've heard <u>people</u> use God's name in vain.

They might say, "Oh G-d!" Or "J-sus!" or "J-sus Chri-st!" "GD-it."

Check yourself to make sure you don't use God's name as an expression of surprise, anger, casual mention, or something in jest.

God's name is too holy for that!!!!!!

This indicates profanity is becoming acceptable, even among Christians.

i.e. HECK – (used as a mild expression of annoyance, rejection, disgust, etc.) - What the heck do you care?

ORIGIN – 1850-55; euphemistic alteration of HELL.

- i.e. GOSH (used as a mild oath or to express surprise).
- ORIGIN First Known Use: 1757 euphemism for God.
- i.e. GOLLY used as a mild exclamation expressing surprise, wonder, pleasure, or the like.)
- ORIGIN 1840–50; euphemistic alteration of GOD.

# Yet, what does Ephesians 4:29 tell us?

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." (ESV)

The word translated corrupt (SAPROS) means bad, rotten, or foul.

It was used to refer to rotten fruit or food.

Foul language should be as repulsive to a Christian as a rotten egg.

# That's why the Bible says:

Ephesians 5:4 "Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving."

The uncontrolled mouth is a lying mouth, a gossiping mouth, and a cursing mouth.

Now let's talk about...

II. How To Master Your Mouth

There are at least <u>four</u> things we must do to master our mouths:

A. Always be candid.

This means we should be frank and honest and not deceitful.

If we want to build relationships with anyone, we must be honest.

# Proverbs 24:26 tells us why?

Proverbs 24:26 "An honest answer is like a kiss on the lips." (NIV)

This means we always tell the truth to people we love and everyone else we speak to. So, when you lie to someone, it is the same as saying, "I don't love you."

#### WHAT IS THE OPPOSITE OF LOVE? HATE

Being candid and honest also means telling people what they need to hear, not what they want to hear.

# Therefore, we must always remember the truth found in...

Proverbs 27:6 "Faithful are the wounds of a friend; profuse are the kisses of an enemy."

If we are true friends, we will tell our friends the truth (IN LOVE) to help them, even if it might make them angry with us.

Ephesians 4:15 "...speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,"

### But remember this:

Always compliment in public and correct in private.

No marriage, friendship, or other relationship can survive unless it is built on candidness and honesty.

## B. Always be confidential.

There are very few people who can be trusted with sensitive, personal information.

We all need people with whom we can share our hurts, fears, and frustrations.

When someone shares personal, private information with us, we need to remember the truth found in...

Proverbs 11:13 "Whoever goes about slandering reveals secrets, but he who is trustworthy in spirit keeps a thing covered."

One of the quickest ways to hurt people is to repeat a matter told you in confidence.

However, if we want to master our mouths, we will always be confidential.

# C. Always be constructive.

Few things are more needed in our world than constructive words — words that heal, uplift, and encourage!

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

We should always be on the lookout for the opportunities God gives us to speak a constructive, encouraging word to family members, friends, and associates.

We encounter people every day who are dying for a kind, encouraging word.

That's why we need to remember the fact found in...

Proverbs 25:11 "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver."

This means they are beautiful, valuable and very needed.

A person who knows the right words to say is like an artist who can make beautiful, valuable things out of silver and gold.

The most valuable thing you can give most people is a word of constructive encouragement.

#### D. Always be constrained.

Sometimes the wisest thing we can do is constrain our words and say little or nothing at all.

We all have suffered from the proverbial "foot-in-mouth disease."

One of the most frequent complaints from couples who are struggling in their marriages is "he or she doesn't listen to me."

When we get to know people, we sometimes think we know what they are going to say before they say it.

So, we just listen to the first part of the comment or question and then starting responding.

However, what does Proverbs 18:13 tell us?

Proverbs 18:13 "If one gives an answer before he hears, it is his folly and shame."

Another excellent time to constrain our words is when someone says something very foolish.

## Getting into a debate with a fool is a big mistake.

Proverbs 26:4 "Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest you be like him yourself."

If you get into an argument with a fool and someone overhears the discussion, he or she won't be able to tell which one is the fool.

To master your mouth, always be candid, confidential, constructive, and constrained.

#### **Conclusion:**

I. The Uncontrolled Mouth is...

a lying mouth,

a gossiping mouth,

and a cursing, or profaning, mouth.

## II. How to Master Your Mouth... Always be candid.

Always be confidential.

Always be constructive.

Always be constrained.

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## Worship in Song

#### I Surrender All

All to Jesus I surrender
All to Him I freely give
I will ever love and trust Him
In His presence daily live

I surrender all
I surrender all
All to Thee
my blessed Savior
I surrender all

# All to Jesus I surrender Make me Savior wholly Thine Let me feel the Holy Spirit Truly know that Thou art mine

I surrender all
I surrender all
All to Thee
my blessed Savior
I surrender all

## All to Jesus I surrender Lord I give myself to Thee Fill me with Thy love and power Let Thy blessings fall on me

I surrender all I surrender all All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all

### Benediction & Fellowship