

The Grace-Given Power to Change (Part 5)

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Scripture References:

- Titus 2:12
- John 5:5-7
- 2 Corinthians 4:13
- Matthew 12:34-36
- Proverbs 4:23-27
- Ephesians 4:15
- Proverbs 5:1
- Romans 12:2
- Psalm 14:1
- Proverbs 21:2
- Proverbs 10:11
- Proverbs 21:23, *NLT*
- Proverbs 21:23, *MSG*
- Proverbs 16:24
- Proverbs 12:18
- Hebrews 4:14, *NLT*
- Psalm 19:14
- Job 22:28

Summary:

*When we struggle with sins that hold us back in life, God's favor gives us the power to change. Grace doesn't just cover up sin, but changes us from the inside and completely washes sin away. However, we must **want** to change for any transformation to take place. The first step in our transformation begins with what we believe; recognizing that there's a definite connection between our beliefs and our speech helps us make the right confessions that lead to positive change.*

Notes:

1. Our transformation is up to us; if we accept the responsibility, God gives us the power. We must stop making excuses for staying the same; we must also avoid procrastinating.
2. There's a connection between what's in our hearts and what comes out of our mouths. Jesus recognized that what a person believes, or *doesn't* believe, controls what they say.
3. Our words have real power; they have the potential to either build us up or destroy us. We must choose our words carefully; an awareness of what's going on in our hearts can prevent us from uttering the wrong words.
4. Our speech reflects what's in our hearts; therefore, we must believe the right things. We must examine what we are meditating on. Negative meditation is called worry.

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