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Psalms 141:2-3 Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. 3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips. (KJV)

Given the fact that death and life are in the power of the tongue, it would do you well as a Christian to keep a watch on what is coming from it. You are either bringing forth words of life like rivers of living waters, or you have become a spiritual arsonist starting fires and fanning them with many winds of mans’ doctrines.

Ecclesiastes 5:1-3 Keep thy foot when thou goes to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, than to give the sacrifice of fools: for they consider not that they do evil. 2 Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter anything before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few. 3 For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and a fool's voice is known by multitude of words. (KJV)

Fools are the ones that know what is wrong with everyone else except themselves. Fools are the ones who run to and fro seeking peace and never stay in one place long enough to find it. Foolish people are those that talk a lot, but never say anything.

Ecclesiastes 5:4-5 When thou vows a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed. 5 Better is it that thou should not vow, than that thou should vow and not pay. (KJV)

Now paying a vow doesn’t necessarily mean just money. Paying a vow means to follow through in your commitment to the Lord by presenting yourself as a living sacrifice daily, fit and ready for the Master’s use. However, you will be of no use to our Lord if you keep chasing things in the realm of the flesh and continue ignoring those of the Spirit.

Proverbs 29:11 A fool utters all his mind: but a wise man keeps it in till afterwards. (KJV)

Sometimes we hear only half the story and then go off on others only to find out later on that there were actually two sides, and that we had only heard the untrue part, which puts us in the category of a fool because we didn’t take time to hear the whole matter.

Proverbs11:12-13 He that is void of wisdom despises his neighbor: but a man of understanding holds his peace. 13 A talebearer reveals secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealed the matter. (KJV)

Do you desire to keep the peace? You can start by keeping the tongue in subjection to the Spirit. Those that are constantly talking about others are a real turn off because you know that as soon as you leave they will be blabbing about you too.

Proverbs 12:22-23 Lying lips are abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly are his delight. 23 A prudent man conceals knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaims foolishness. (KJV)

Just because you heard something about someone else doesn’t always mean it needs to be repeated. There is a time to speak and a time to keep silent. It would do you well to know the difference between when the Lord is asking you to speak up and when it is time to keep your mouth shut.

James 1:19-20 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: 20 For the wrath of man works not the righteousness of God. (KJV)

Maybe if something is rubbing you the wrong way, instead of playing the blame game take a look at your own life to see why that is happening. Before you speak foolishness take the time to hear the whole of the matter first.

God bless and have a prosperous day in Christ Jesus our Lord dearly loved.