*Thursday, March 8, 2012*

**Slice of Life**

1 Peter 5:8-9 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: (9) Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. (KJV)

Sometimes the enemy will come along and try to get you to doubt God or think that you may have been shortchanged when seeing others blessed. The heart can have a tendency to harden a bit and not be open to words of life. When that process begins it is a downhill spiral until one gives ear to some truth and quits playing the blame game as well.

1 Corinthians 10:4-6 And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. (5) But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. (6) Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. (KJV)

God had planned for all of His people to come out of Egypt, and had made a way for them to get to the promised land. However, we see with many of them that they were not pleasing to God because they had other ideas, none of which came from God.

1 Corinthians 10:9-11 Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. (10) Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. (11) Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. (KJV)

Keep in mind that it wasn’t God’s intention to see His people destroyed; however, it was their choice by their words that put them back on the enemies turf and they became easy prey. All through the Bible we see things written for our admonition so that we don’t have to fall into the snare of the enemy by the words that we speak; which I can assure you that murmuring is a fast track to hell.

Job 7:11 Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul. (KJV)

Job 10:1-2 My soul is weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul. (2) I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou contendest with me. (KJV)

Checking back in with Job; we see that after chapter 3, when he began to curse his day that it was a continual downfall, one which was a result of his own words of fear.

John 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. (KJV)

If you allow words of life into the heart, and it is the first thing that you seek in a day, then that is what you will be speaking into existence. The flip side again is that if you allow a spirit of fear to get past your radar, then that is what you will be speaking into existence, and the fruit of it is what you will end up with.

Psalms 141:3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips. (KJV)

There is a door right in front of your face that can unleash words of life or death; it’s your choice as to which one you will open up to.