

Born with Identity
Part 17: Heart Cleaners!
Slide Notations

What makes a happy drunk? What makes a mean drunk, so mean?

I want to talk to you about a “deep” subject of the heart... I want to make you aware of yourself... then afraid of yourself... so that you will run to God for help!

Matthew 12.34-37 (Happy, sad, nice or mean...) “Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. A good/evil man out of the good /evil treasure of the heart brings out good/evil things. I say to you that every idle word a man speaks, he will give an account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you are justified or by your words you will be condemned.”

Old Truth for New Friends *Christians are created in the image of the God who created all we see with the words of His mouth... Gen 1.26, H11.3*

And we are people who create the worlds we live in w/words we use... And we are people who build up, not tear down, people w/our tongues... And we are people who destroy the kingdom of darkness with our shouts of joy, our prayer, worship and warfare!

Old Truth for New Friends *Christians do not promise and not fulfill their words! Ecc5.2-7*

It's in our power to say a thing or not... But if we say it, we die doing it... Or humbly bow for mercy if we find we: Spoke rashly, agreed too quickly, or just can't! **Ecc5.6** God is not a man that He can lie! **Tit 1.2** And as His mimics we are commanded to not lie! **Col 3.9**

Old Truth for New Friends *Christians do not swear!*

It is a fall into hypocrisy (**James 5.12**) to say we are adopted by God and continue to speak like children of wrath! **E2.2,3** Jesus adds, that it shows we have an open link to the evil one! **Mt5.37** Includes all the general euphemisms! It's the meanings not the letters! God hears the intent of the heart! **Ps44.21**

James 3.1-11 “If we don't offend with our mouth we are mature. The tongue is small, but like a small spark can start a huge fire, this little part can ravage us! Out of the same mouth we bless God and curse men; from it proceeds blessing and cursing. *My brothers, this shouldn't be so! Does a fountain send out sweet and bitter water at the same place?*” **NO!** And if it did, who would want to drink from it?

Ephesians 4.29ff *Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth but only what is good for building up... let all bitterness and wrath, anger and clamor and evil speaking be put away from you...*

Ephesians 5.3ff But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness let it not be named once among you as is right for saints, *neither obscenities or (lit) moronic talking or vulgar jesting which are not fit for believers but rather use your words for the giving of thanks...*

Tongue Truths: I will take heed to my ways that I sin not with my tongue! **Ps39.1** For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying which they speak. **Ps59.12** Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips, *and* from a deceitful tongue. **Ps120.2** Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips. **Ps141.3** An ungodly man digs up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire. **Pr16.27** A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calls for strokes. A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul. **Pr18.6,7** He that refrains his lips is wise. **Pr10.19** The lips of the righteous feed many. **Pr10.21** Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight **Ps19.14** Death and life are in the power of the tongue! **Pr18.21**

And many sincere people, hearing these truths, will do everything in their power to harness their tongues...

But harnessing our tongues is not dealing with the problem... and the kingdom of God is about the true freedom that comes from transformation!

Harness our tongues as we might, what's in our hearts will come out in times of fear, pain, disappointment, stress, anger, drunkenness/stoned, meds, anesthetic, steroids, old age...

Matthew 15.18,19 "The *things* that proceed out of the mouth come from the heart and they defile a man. *For out of the heart proceeds evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies... these are the things that defile a man...*"

An unsubmitted, cluttered, repressed, heart is a dangerous thing!

So what does make a happy drunk, a happy drunk? And a mean drunk, so mean?

Issues of the heart that have been repressed, things unchallenged, untransformed are now exposed!

For nothing harmful, painful, embarrassing, defiling, to come out of our mouths... there needs to be nothing unchallenged within our hearts!

We are people who can leave nothing behind, nothing unchallenged... because it will come out!

We are so capable of self-deception; "it doesn't matter, no one will know, it's harmless!"

We must keep our hearts clean... and the Word calls, all day long, for personal transformation!

How to transform? "Love the Lord with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind... and love your neighbor as yourself... on these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets!" **Mt22.37-40**

All the rules, regulators, being, becoming all included in keeping these two!

Love the Lord...

Heart: Worship more *vigorously* than ever before! Kardia: seat of *physical life*, like you would be dead without Him!

Soul: worship more *purely* than ever before! Psuche: spirit, desires, affections/All in!

Mind: Read/hear/study His word – converse w/Him more than ever before! Dianoia: intellect, deep thoughts, imagination

Love others...

Serve mankind more ardently than ever before! Not an action/term, but a lifestyle! Do you start at home? Spouse? Kids? How many places do you serve the body? How many people do you serve beyond? How about work?

We serve, doing the will of God from the heart, as unto the Lord! E6.6,7

1Timothy 1.5 Now the end of the commandment is love from a pure heart, and a good conscience, and faith unfeigned..."

A heart surrendered to God, cleared, cleaned, developed is the vehicle we all need to end well!

And nothing less than that should be the goal that we run toward with diligence!

1Peter 1.22,23 Seeing ye have purified your souls – in obeying the truth – through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, love one another with a pure heart fervently: Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which lives and abides forever.