The Power of the Tongue

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Hallelujah! We need to repent. Through repentance and holiness that is the only way you get to the Father. The Blood of Jesus is repentance. We cannot get to the Father without the Blood of Jesus and holiness is the landmark. Holiness is the key. Without holiness we cannot reach the Father. It is in Hebrews chapter 12 verse 14, we have read that over and over again and 1st Peter also we've read it there, "Be holy in all you do because He who called you is holy." So we have to pray for the leadership of the church so the Holy Spirit will give them wisdom to know what they are called within the Kingdom of God. They are so mighty to the Lord because they are servants of the Lord in the church. It is lack and loss of identity that is hurting us; it is because we have not understood our identity in Christ Jesus and we see a lot of that with Josiah. I have taught a lot about Josiah, 2 Kings. And I want you to understand that the time has changed and the Father is still speaking the same language to me. So there are people of the Lord out there and we need to reach them still; so let us just focus on the mission and the Father will help us.

He came and took me and He made me weep the whole night because He made me feel how sad He feels. So the whole night I was weeping and He was mentioning them by name. He was saying—abortion and I was weeping so deep because I was feeling how He feels. He was saying—perversion, lying. He was saying—devil worship, then He took me to places—many, many places. He took me and He made me cry. I wept so hard until morning and so that is how the Father feels.

Today, I would like to teach about, hallelujah, what it takes to be a Christian—what it takes to be a newly born Christian and to grow in faith, to grow with Christ, to walk with the Holy Spirit. And part of being a Christian like we've said is to be sanctified (to set apart, purified, made holy) by the Blood of Jesus through the works of the Holy Spirit and I talked a bit about sanctification when I talked on the Day of the Lord. I want to touch one element here that is 1 Corinthians chapter 6 verse 12 on, about you being the holy tabernacle of the Holy Spirit. You are the holy tabernacle of the Holy Spirit, the holy temple of the Holy Spirit and there are teachings on the tabernacle of the Lord in heaven. When the Lord came to me for 32 consecutive nights, every night, and walked me into the temple of the Lord in heaven and what it looks like and how He wants to use that to fulfill Amos chapter 9 verses 11 and 12 to restore David's fallen tent. I want you to know that there is a reflection of that in you as a person—the restoration of this temple of the Holy Spirit.

So you are the holy temple of the Holy Spirit and that's why I have been saying there is **no way you can mix darkness with light**. There is no way we can mix wickedness with righteousness and that's why the theme of my teachings has been holiness because we serve a holy God. You see that? He is holy and separated from sin. So when we receive Jesus we go through a process and that process is the process of sanctification (to set apart, purified, made holy) when the Blood of Jesus washes you clean and the Holy Spirit accomplishes that task. We saw when I was teaching at that time, that it was the will of God that you be sanctified even before you were formed. You see? So we have to be sanctified and completely separated from sin and that is the process and also for us to be Christians there has to be a

reflection in ourselves of that process of sanctification. There has to be a reflection of what we are going through translating into our day to day lives. That is why John the Baptist said, when they repent he wanted to see the fruits of their repentance—the fruits of repentance. There has to be a fruit of that repentance you are going through as a nation, as a person. Today I'll look at one key element—the power of the tongue.

When you become a Christian and you step out of the world and you begin going through the process of sanctification, this is very personal to you now. What are the changes that take place in you? How can someone look at you [and say] "I know that this person now, is different from the other person that was in the world." We have said that because your body is the holy tabernacle of the Holy Spirit you cannot defile it with sexual sin for example. I have talked a lot about sexual sins and we have talked about the fact that all the other sins you commit are out of your body. But sexual sin is sin that you commit inside, you commit inside the holy temple of the Holy Spirit—so sexual sin is very different from all the other sins. Why have I been emphasizing on the fact that sexual sin is so defiling to the core of your fiber and being? Because like we saw, hallelujah! The book of 1st Corinthians chapter 6 tells us very clearly that sexual sin will defile you and yet you are the temple of the Holy Spirit.

But now, we also want to talk about something else; if your body here is the holy temple of the Holy Spirit, then there is something about you that is of God. There is something about you that is purposefully created by God for Himself. Look for example at the way God operates; He says He created you in His image. The image of God is not just physical, it's also spiritual, somebody. When He says "I created you in My own image" it is deeper than that. When He says I gave you the breath of life in Hebrew they call it epfe ha-khayyim that means epfe is the first, number 1, hayyim is life. The first life which means the same first breath He gave to Adam is what He gave you. There is no replica; there is no duplicate. You see? So when God says He created you in His own image you look back to Genesis and then you look back to the book of John also. John chapter 1 "In the beginning was the word and" then hallelujah, in Genesis He says "and God spoke and it came to pass." That means if the LORD created you in His nature then there is power in what comes out of your tongue. Do you understand me?

If surely God created you in His nature then surely there is power in what comes out of your tongue. He spoke and the sun was created. He spoke and there was light. That means when you cross from being in the world, being conformed to the world, being designed and changed and transformed and re-formed – remember (that) before you were created it was God's will that you be sanctified. But you were born into a corrupt world that formed you and conformed you into the things and nature of the world. But when you cross and come over to Jesus you have to change. There has to be a change that reflects the sanctification. And today I'm speaking on only one thing—the power of the tongue.

Has your tongue changed ever since you were born again? Or ...are we just talking salvation, "Let us lift His name up" and yet we turn back on our cell phones — dirty talk. Have you changed? Have you recognized the authority and power that is within the tongue? Within the word? Within talking? Have you seen that? So today we'll look at some aspects about the tongue; what God says about the tongue; says about your tongue; about the power of your speech as a Christian after crossing over—the power

of using your tongue in a holy way. Let us see what the Bible says. I want to start just simply from the book of <u>Proverbs</u>, Hallelujah, and I'm going to read from NIV—<u>Proverbs chapter 6 verse 2</u>. The power of the tongue — that's what I'm talking about today. Have you changed your speech? Have you changed your language?

<u>Proverbs 12</u> I'm reading from <u>verse 13</u>, "An evil man is trapped by his sinful talk," That's what the Lord says, "but a righteous man escapes trouble."

That means when you receive the Lord and you begin the process of growing, being sanctified, there has to be a reflection in the changes within how you talk. "An evil man is trapped by his sinful talk." I'm going to bring you to a place where you realize that you are not allowed actually to use your tongue for sinful purposes, because He is a jealous God and I will type what kind of offering you have been giving to the Lord? Have you used the same tongue, you used it dirty here and come and then you are singing to the LORD? He says, "you disgust me", "you disgust me". Here you are talking holy and there you are talking dirt. Do you hear me? Let us move on.

Again another thing about the tongue is <u>verse 14</u> there, "From the fruit of his lips a man is filled with good things as surely as the work of his hands reward him."

You see? That means you can be filled with good things from the fruit of your lips. That means God has endowed you with power out of your speech, hallelujah! That means God has given you power through your speech and the tongue, by the way, has the power to life and death. There is so much power in talking as a Christian. I'm talking about the Christian. And there has to be a change in the way you talk. If surely you have changed, if surely you have repented and begun to be sanctified there has to be a change in your talk and I'm teaching this on purpose because the Holy Spirit told me to do so. Let us read a little bit further before we continue.

<u>Verse 18</u> of the same <u>Proverbs 12</u> he says, "Reckless words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing."

Look at that. Ever since you became a Christian and found out the truth about your true nature, how God created you and gave you power and what He calls you - have you used your tongue to bring healing or have you used it—I'm not even going there, for gossip and slander? The LORD says your body is the holy tabernacle of the Holy Spirit. You stand here and worship the Lord and you talk with your tongue and the Bible says, when you confess, you shall be saved—with your tongue. Do you turnaround and recycle the same tongue to sin? Have you changed the language of your mouth and tongue? It is very important. I wanted to teach the Ark of the Covenant and He told me, "Please teach them about the power of the tongue, so they can begin to transform and hold the key to power—power to life and death."

Let's continue on that one. Just read a few of them because <u>Ephesians</u> is where I want to bring you and some of them you know down there. Chapter 13 of <u>Proverbs</u> just read them, just for the sake of setting a background here.

<u>Proverbs chapter 13</u> I'm reading from <u>verse 3</u> for example he says, "He who guards his lips guards his life, but he who speaks rashly will come to ruin."

Listen to me: The Lord Jesus gave us so much power as Christians and that is where the problem has been—we have not understood our true identity. We've lived like Josiah lived. We have lived under the covenant of the new law without knowing what it defines us as.

As a person and a Christian you need to know that God, when He called you to be a Christian, He called you to be a high priest! Do you understand me? The veil ruptured that separated the Outer Court and the Holy of Holies and that's what I have been preaching. It's not a casual relationship with the Lord. It is a holy calling. You are called to be high priest; to enter in the area where the Ark of the Covenant is, and that is where the problem is. We have not understood that the Lord said, "Come right in here and offer my Blood because that is the only sacrifice the Father can now accept, not the blood of an animal." And if God is calling me to live like a high priest offering the Blood of Jesus within the Holy of Holies, how do I ought to talk somebody? Do you hear me? How should you talk? What should come out of your tongue? He says this is the holy temple of the Holy Spirit. Ask yourself, to be a high priest of the order of Melchizedek what is the language that comes out of your tongue? All - it's not just pastors. All of you have been called to go into the Holy of Holies.

You don't need anybody anymore to carry the blood and enter there and offer sacrifice for you anymore. He says I called them to be high priests. And one time I was going to preach in Mexico and He makes me tired as I was waiting to preach and He comes by voice and says, "Tell them, I have called all of them to be high priests." You see? And what kind of language comes out of you as a Christian? So He's calling us to be high priests; so that means He's calling us to holiness because your body is the holy temple of the Holy Spirit including the tongue. You understand? So this is about growing somebody.

Let's read a little bit further before we go to the next Scriptures; still in the book of <u>Proverbs</u> just to understand how God talks about the tongue. <u>Proverbs 15 verse 2</u>, we can dwell a lot on the same book but I want to bring you to Ephesians and <u>1st Peter</u>.

He says <u>Proverbs 15 verse 2</u>, "The tongue of the wise commends knowledge, but the mouth of the fool gushes folly." Right? And then <u>verse 4</u> He says, "The tongue that brings healing is a tree of life, but a deceitful tongue crushes the spirit."

Listen to me: The new church, the church of Jesus Christ, the church within the new covenant of the Blood of Jesus. Look at the primitive church, the church in the new covenant in the New Testament if you want somebody. The old law was a tough law. You remember that? The old law that was given to Moses was a very tough law. It says in the book of <u>Hebrews 10</u>, when you sinned at the testimony of 2 or 3 you died!

Now in the New Testament church we taught so much grace, so much love. We taught it here in this church. In the church in America they taught it also. "No, God is a good God, so good, so loving." Within that love there is judgment—the Blood of Jesus. Do you understand? Nobody has ever been

tortured like Jesus was. That is love. That is the love we should be teaching and in the New Testament church, you say the Old Testament is too tough for you. In the New Testament church, the tongue—Ananias and Sapphira walked and lied and died! Do you hear me? The book of Acts chapter 5, Ananias and Sapphira during the dispensation of the grace, okay, walked in there, used their tongue wrong and died! Do you see the power of the tongue? Until Peter told them, "It belonged to you; you did not have to come here. You'd just stayed with the money there but you have come and lied in the presence of the Holy Spirit." And I want you Christians to understand one thing; you live within the presence of the Holy Spirit. I have repeated it over and over again that surely if you are a Christian, the book of Matthew chapter 5 says, when you just look at that brother and feel angry you have committed murder. When you look at a woman and lust at the woman you have committed adultery. It's a much higher law. There is no way you can live like that in this world, unless the Holy Spirit has changed you.

So as a Christian you are living like Ananias and Sapphira, every day. You are living within the presence of the Holy Spirit—every single day and there is no way you can use this tongue to lie. And I told you people in the beginning if lying is a problem somewhere then ask the Holy Spirit to transform you. So before you lie you stop the cell phone—"Lord I cannot do this thing, cannot do this thing" and gradually He will transform you. That is part of the process of sanctification, re-programming your mind and your spirit. You see? Just to understand a little bit about the power of the tongue, what the tongue can do to you. You see?

We turn to the same book <u>chapter 18</u> somebody. <u>Chapter 18 verse 7</u> He says, "A fool's mouth is his undoing, and his lips are a snare to his soul."

Did you hear that somebody? The LORD is beginning to tie the fruit of your lips and tongue to your soul. It is all part of the holy tabernacle of the Holy Spirit. He's tying your lips now to your soul. That means all of you, belongs to the Lord as a Christian. Let me ask you somebody, ever since you received the Lord, have you continued slandering and gossiping behind the scenes with the phone? We are going to repent - slandering, gossip and all those things - they are sinful. If you have done that, private repentance will take place here today.

Your tongue - the tongue is so precious, all part of the precious temple of the Holy Spirit. Ananias and Sapphira in the new church died there for lying! You see? And listen to me the servants of the Lord, Hallelujah! Listen to me the servants of the Lord. Look at Peter, after the husband had just been carried and buried, the boys carried and buried the husband, the wife comes in and Peter was sitting there. He said "Tell me is this the amount for which you sold the property?" He did not say "Ooh! The husband has just been buried." He did not say that. He chose God! You use your tongue for the Lord. It does not matter whether it's not popular. Do you hear me somebody? It will not matter anymore whether it's not popular! Use it for God! That's why He said in the book of Malachi chapter 1, "You are lighting up useless fires for me. I wish somebody could go lock up that temple." You see? He says, "Don't light up useless fires in my altar." It is not just the worship; it is also the preaching here. We have preached to the flesh. You hear that? To please the flesh—that is useless fire to the LORD. The LORD is looking for holy fire—unholy fire no. He says, "I wish somebody could go lock up that temple so they don't light up useless fires for me." I'm talking about the tongue and I have just touched a little bit on how it affects the altar.

With every fiber of your being you shall preach the gospel regardless of whether it's sweet to them or not. You know? The issue is a holy fire should come from your tongue; from your lips. You understand? Even you at home when you are talking to your kids—oh no pampering them. No, talk to them holy however unpopular it is. Just look at the way He's looking at the tongue. You see? He says in 18 I repeat, "A fool's mouth is his undoing", you see that, "and his lips are a snare to his soul." And so we have lied as a church. We have lied in several ways; I don't even have time to go there right now, Hallelujah! We have talked in false tongues. Me I prefer to wait until the Holy Spirit touches me. You see, than to fake it and lie. We have also lied that we are prophesying - called name tags - apostles, prophets, those things. We don't have time to go there; but we have lied as a nation.

You have gossiped, you have come from church and gossiped. You have used the same tongue to offer praise to the Lord and on the way home you have lied. No. I'm just talking about your personal growth today and the Lord says, "Why do you bring blemished animals to me? Why do you bring animals that are crippled to me?" which means **the kind of sacrifice you are offering the Lord is crippled** because the same tongue is busy lying. The same tongue is busy doing other sinful things, and then that same tongue on Sunday is trying to worship the Lord. Listen to me: Now I can speak for the Lord, somebody. He is very jealous. He is very jealous of you. He says if you have chosen to worship me, worship me with all your heart and if you have given me your tongue let it be all for me. It cannot be shared with the devil. You see? And that's why the church has not grown as a church in the Holy Spirit because only the Holy Spirit can shape your tongue. Just anger alone, many people make you angry in one day, but I emphasize on the Holy Spirit.

And listen to what He says <u>chapter 18 of Proverbs</u> He says "the word..." Ha! Right there before I even talked about it you see <u>chapter 18 verse 8</u>. He says, "The words of a gossip are like choice morsels; they go down to a man's inmost parts."

I was just talking about gossiping. Its right there, so let us use our tongues to worship the Lord and to speak holiness, to speak life into other lives.

Let's just finish up with that one. <u>Verse 21</u> somebody, He says, now look at that, "The tongue has the power of life and death..."

You see that?—the power of life and death. Now listen to this: As a Christian very easily you can sort yourself out. As a Christian, you have accepted the Lord, you have begun the process of transformation, of being sanctified. You are being baptized as in, "I have died with Christ and resurrected with him." That means you have chosen life. The tongue has power to life and death! That means as a Christian I will choose to use my tongue for life. Do you hear me, somebody? My choice will be life with my tongue. I will speak life with my tongue. You can speak life into life. You can speak life. Life is holiness because it's not about the people in the world not liking what you are saying. You still have to tell them what the right thing is, whether they don't like it. Tell them, "If you continue immorality something will touch you which is not good." Speak life to them; let them come to Jesus. Okay? And this is what He says here. He says,

"The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit."

You see and on and on He goes on about the tongue but just most importantly for us now, let's go to the book of <u>Ephesians</u>. I just want to see what the Lord says about these things in <u>Ephesians</u>. <u>Ephesians chapter 5</u> and today we are talking about the power of the tongue. That tongue is part of the holy tabernacle of the Holy Spirit. Let us use it for the Holy Spirit. I have seen a lot of people in this church they are gossiping, they are slandering and they are actually lying also and I know that lying is a sin. Lying and murder are the same in the eyes of the Lord. You see? I know that Ananias Sapphira was in the modern church which is the New Testament church, but they died for lying, so let us fear God with our tongue. And when you speak to somebody you can speak life into their lives. You can speak a prayer of healing into their lives. You see what I'm saying? You can say "In the mighty name of Jesus I speak healing into your life," and then you cannot use the same tongue now for gossiping—the enemy, slandering behind the scenes.

Let's just see what it says in Ephesians so we can understand this better. <u>Ephesians chapter 5</u>, I'll just begin from <u>verse 1 up to 6</u> probably, and this is what He says, "Be imitators of God."

Do you hear me? That is where I started today. You have been created in the image of the LORD. You see? Therefore be imitators of God. Do you understand me? If God has power in his speech then you should know that you have power resident in your speech. Now as a Christian be imitators of God he says, "therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up to us." Look at that kind of love "as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."

That is what love is. That love came with judgment, judgment. He offered himself as a fragrant offering. Let me just enlighten you on this one here. In those days they used to put the fat portion and they burned it so the Lord could smell the fragrance, but in this case Jesus offered Himself for that fragrance that would deliver all of us. You see? So it comes with judgment. It's a very severe situation both in the physical and spiritual. He says be imitators of God and the love He is talking about there is the love that came with the judgment—judgment against sin. He's a God of judgment when you see the Ark of the Covenant because inside the Ark of the Covenant; actually the Ark of the Covenant is the throne of God—the two cherubim on both sides. I'm not trying to preach that message right now. But you have to understand that inside the Ark of the Covenant He told Moses "put the testimony" the tablets of the testimony of the Lord and He told Him, "I shall use it against the people as testimony against them if they deviate from this." And at the same time you see that on the mercy seat the Blood of Jesus is so much poured and so does so much love, right? So within that love there's judgment. Please let's understand the nature of God, right? But listen to this about the tongue. We are coming to the tongue today.

<u>Verse 3</u> says, "But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality," He likes talking about sexual immorality "and of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people."

So God has called you to be holy people, holy people—holiness; holy people walking in holiness. You cannot be holy people if you are not walking in holiness. You see what I'm saying? And look at what it says about <u>verse 4</u>, "Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse jokes, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving."

Listen to that—even coarse jokes! Do you see something about your tongue? You see what the Lord says about your tongue? You cannot even use your tongue for coarse jokes—jokes of sexuality, laughing. Your tongue is holy to God. He says you cannot even use it for coarse jokes. Why have we as a church recycled back to coarse jokes with this tongue and on Sunday we are busy worshipping the Lord with that tongue? Which God are you worshipping; the Holy One of Israel? He is jealous. Let me you tell you today something. He is a jealous God. He says, "I want to own you all, with everything you have." Own you. What He calls first love, to be your first love—"Primera amor" in Spanish. Primera amor. Your first love, your primary love, "You cannot share me with another God who is Satan. You cannot be talking, doing coarse jokes" and you know what coarse jokes have done in this world. They have led to sexual immorality and HIV/AIDS and death. They have made the LORD look like He is a liar because He said, "I shall make you live to your full age" and they have gone into coarse jokes, the women groups, the book clubs, the men, whatever, drinking sprees, whatever, Bible groups and then they turn them to coarse jokes and then sexual sins, HIV/AIDS, DIE Prematurely! The enemy is trapping you. You see that? There should be no room for even coarse jokes the Bible says. That's what the LORD says here. He says you cannot even use that tongue for coarse jokes. This is just one aspect—the fruit of repentance.

The process of sanctification, your language has to change, in other words that's what I'm saying. I'm saying that your language will change. I don't have the same language I had when I was in the world. I was a very different person in the universities. I cannot share this holy tongue with the devil—between the devil and God. There has to be a fruit of that change. There has to be a change. Do you understand me? If it's piercing you, if you feel uncomfortable with this, that is good so you can repent and you tell the Lord, "Please change the word; change the fruit of my tongue. Change everything. Let my tongue be for you, not behind the scenes gossiping talking sexual sin jokes in a country where sexual sin has killed millions of people—the children of the Lord. They were also created by the Lord like you and yet the enemy has killed them through playing around with the tongue. You see what I'm saying? And then the tongue leads to lying also. So we don't want to get there. You see that's what He says here. He says, "nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk"—foolish talk! That's what He says, "and coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving." Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Listen to me: I want you to understand those of you that are parents that **your children will learn from your language**; so make sure that you talk holy—holy please. Holy, this is just one aspect of you being changed—the tongue. You see? Then there are other things. We talked about, the dressing. Yeah, the dressing has to be there for the women because the women I said you hold the key, not in a country where there is sexual immorality where people have died from HIV/AIDS. I went to the church and they were sitting with miniskirts and I told them, "Nobody is interested at looking at your legs anymore. People have died from HIV /AIDS and the men that have come here are looking for God!"

Let us make sure that we live for the Lord. I'm just walking you into territory where you begin to understand that the Lord owns you all—with your talk; even business, by the way. If you are doing some business where you are selling some cups, aesthetic stuff, I understand eastern is now a powerful thing, eastern, right? In decoration, eastern; if you have some Buddhas and everything clean them out. And dressing, we have talked about dressing. How can I come here with earrings as a man? In some other cities the enemy has used that to mark homosexuals. How can I bring it to the House of the Lord?

The Lord owns you all! That's where I'm bringing you today. He owns everything, everything that you are because He is the Almighty God. He created you for His pleasure. Do you understand? It may not sound sweet but it is alright, right? Now let us be personal, right? So you guys can go home and just say, "Lord please cleanup my tongue".

It's very important. And remember one thing - Miriam; Aaron and Miriam when they came before Moses they murmured and were judged by God. The tongue, do you hear me? They murmured in the presence of Moses even behind the scenes—"Hasn't God talked with us also" and God judged them. Do you hear me? Do you understand how God treats the fruit of your tongue - with gravity? I may not touch everything but at least you understand the picture now. They murmured in the desert and God killed them. They murmured against Moses and actually He made her have leprosy and all that you know and then she was healed and then the others, opened and the earth swallowed them. Do you hear that? And now that same God has not changed. He is the same God in the Old Testament, New Testament! Right? Why have you changed Him in Kenya? Why have you changed Him in this church? You have made Him look like; oh you see He's sweeter now. He can tolerate a lot of abuse. Why? They murmured against holiness, against the Holy Spirit and God Himself killed them. You see?—the tongue; the tongue.

I'm taking you into an area where you will understand that you have to be careful before you speak. You understand? And seek God and say, "Lord since you own me please." Many times when I'm coming to preach He has already shown me this meeting at night. I have seen the meeting already. The meeting I have seen it already. I could just come and say "No I have seen that meeting" and go and preach. No. I tell Him "Lord, help me. Help me so I may speak only what the Holy Spirit wants me to speak. Help me." So let the Holy Spirit help us to speak. You see? And use the tongue because we find that there is judgement resident around the tongue. Just murmuring and they were killed. You see? The earth opened and they were swallowed, and that God has not changed. He said, "I change not; I'm the same God." You see? Why has this church lied when Acts chapter 5 has not been repealed or changed? Why has this church lied because we have worshipped another God, a sweeter God? This church has worshipped another God. This church, the church is you remember, you, individual you, has not received the Holy Spirit and so the church has lied. But if your boss asks you to lie, choose the Lord; choose the Lord! Tell him, "You know what I don't want to lie anymore. May be it's time for me to look for another job. It may not be easy but I'm going to walk with the Lord and find another job." You see? Let us choose Christ. The Lord has called us to be high priests, of the order of Melchizedek, in the Holy of Holies.

Remember the Holy of Holies; there is also judgment there, somebody. The high priest had bells tied on his legs. If he was not walking right and he walked in there he was hit by lightning, they pulled him out; and yet Christ has called you to enter the Holy of Holies because the veil ruptured. If you watched the message and I talked about the lightning that is inside the Bible, the Ark of the Covenant in the throne room of God in heaven. The three times of lightning that hit the Bible, even the seal on the Bible broke. That lightning is the same lightning that ruptured the veil, the *pazia*, curtain that separated the Outer Court and the Holy of Holies and then He stood there and said "Come be high priests with Me. Then let you offer My Blood to the Father because it's only My Blood the Father can accept right now." So He has called you to be a co-high priests with Him by offering His Blood to the

Father and He says, "I shall come back and I shall be enthroned" which means on the mercy seat between the two cherubim and "I'm going to be enthroned with all of you and we shall rule for a thousand years." He is calling you to equal status. He said, "Co-heirs to the throne of God." That's what He says; so you have dual inheritance with Him.

God has called you to a holy living. He has called you as a high priest as an image of Christ. Let me ask you, would Christ be involved in slandering and in gossiping? Would He be involved in things like manipulative talk? Let us clean up our tongues today. This is just the tongue; I'm not going very far, just the tongue. I want you to understand the gravity with which God looks at the tongue because the tongue is part of the holy tabernacle, the holy temple of the Holy Spirit and when I teach about restoration of the holy tabernacle of David, I will talk very specifically about how that reflects on you and you see that when He finished He came up and He crowned it with gold on top. That is Him. That's the gold that surrounds the deity of God—the presence of God. On the 32nd night He came and finished it with that golden ring that He put on top there. That is Him as the head of the church and the church is you and that Ark of the Covenant, your heart is actually that spiritual Ark of the Covenant. So that means this is the temple, this is the altar which has been circumcised by Christ. And so I'm asking you, just like Christ is supposed to be enthroned on top of the church so the church can be considered restored, has Christ been enthroned in your lives, so you can be restored from the world towards seeing God? You are a prototype of the church. When we talk the church, even the altar of the church, I'm talking about you. I'm sorry I'm not going to say here things that are sweet but I have to say it as it is, right? So we can grow, right? There is seriousness with God somebody.

Look at what He says in <u>2nd Corinthians</u>. <u>2nd Corinthians chapter 6</u> and I'm beginning from <u>verse</u> <u>16</u>, "What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? ..."

The temple of the Holy Spirit is you. That's why 1st Corinthians 6:12 down it says, "You are the holy temple of the Holy Spirit." Let us get these idols out of our lives. I know that there is such a concept as a "pathological liar" in the world. But the Holy Spirit can terminate this concept and give you a new identity, transform you and put you on another course. You see? If there is something that's an idol in your life lying, perversion, slander; there are just people that are known; in Kenya there is even something I found that is called "white lies." Get out of there and it's very common in the church. So don't have those white lies. Lying is a sin, okay?

What I'm doing today is what Paul was prophesying to Timothy when he said, "In those days there shall begin the process of the perfection of the saints"—to perfect the saints, to go down to the nitty-gritties, to go down to the bottom of the issues now. If surely we are repenting then let it be reflected in the fruits that come out of repentance in us, and this is just on a personal basis, and then there is the church situation also. There is the situation in the church also. I'm looking at 1st Peter 2 verse 9 as I finish this thing here. 1st Peter 2 verse 9 about the temple that you are to the Lord. 1st Peter 2:9, there are other Scriptures, more you can read, and I want you to understand that the reason we did not get deep with God is because we did not understand the true nature of the Lord. We coated Him with caramel and made Him a sweet God and so we did things that defiled His name and defiled Him. That's why even the national repentance that we had in the beginning was not very deep at all until, I thought after national repentance the Lord was taking me to Mexico and other countries where I was supposed

to go back and then He told me, "No, I want you to go down into the villages and these places." And the more I went deep as the window of repentance opened, the deeper the repentance became. Then I started learning and learning that wow, that means if the God of heaven, if the Lord is to use this altar in Kenya as a glorious altar, then we have to go deep down and uproot the weed from its root. And that's what we are doing with your personal lives right now, right? So we can be examples of Christ, the ambassadors of Christ and the mirror images of Christ.

<u>1st Peter 2 verse 9</u>, "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God," Hallelujah! "that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy."

Lying belongs to the darkness—the kingdom of darkness. Using your tongue for slander and coarse jokes and sexual immorality comes out of the kingdom of darkness. So He says, "We are a chosen people, a royal priesthood." Let us step out in the light and go to the Lord. Focus on the Lord and pursue the cross of Jesus. Let us be people that will pursue the Lord. Let us be the Jacob that will say, "Lord, I will not leave until you bless me. I am not leaving until you bless me."

In Kakamega and Western Kenya and all of you are familiar with that message. When the Lord sent me there and asked me to speak to heaven to open up and pour rain and heaven opened up and poured rain at the words of my mouth. The Lord was doing that to emphasize to this nation that time has changed. We cannot be Christians as usual—that is because we have not served the true God. We have not known His nature. He made Hosea marry a prostitute so the children of Israel could understand the pain He is going through when they are going and sleeping with another god and coming back wanting Him to love them. That is the true nature of the God we serve. He wants to own you completely. Your tongue is holy because in the beginning He spoke a word and the sun was created. And He said, "Yes I have made you in my own image." That means you have power to speak and things will come into being. You see what I'm saying? You have so much power. Find that power. Ask the Lord, "You have created me in your own image. Lord, I want to make sure that I can speak." What is faith? Faith is believing those things you have not yet seen and they will come to pass. So you can speak it into being. As a Christian your tongue is holy.

Let us go to the book of <u>Malachi chapter 1</u> and finish this thing—Book of <u>Malachi chapter 1</u>. <u>Malachi chapter 1</u> and you shall not sleep with another God, Hallelujah! <u>Malachi chapter 1</u> this is what He says verse 6, "A son honors his father, and a servant his master."

Let us go back to Jehovah God and cry to the Lord. Let us go back to Jehovah God and cry to the Lord and you cannot blame the non-Christians. The Christians are to blame because we should have prayed enough that such events should have not happened in this land. There is no way it could have happened if we had prayed enough. But on the other hand the Lord uses that to expose them that are not of Him.

"A son" verse 6 of Malachi chapter 1, "A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If I am a father, where is honor due me? If I am a master, where is the respect due me?" says the LORD

Almighty. "It is you, O priests, who show contempt of my name." But you ask, 'How have we shown contempt for your name?' "You place defiled food on my altar." But you ask, 'How have we defiled you?' "By saying that the LORD's Table is contemptible. When you bring blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice crippled or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor!

Or your president

"Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you?" says the LORD Almighty. "Now implore God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?"—says the LORD Almighty. "Oh, that one of you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not light useless fires on my altar! I am not pleased with you," says the LORD Almighty, "and I will (not) accept any offering from your hands.

That is what happens to you because of your tongue.

When the Lord Jesus died and resurrected He transferred us from the earthly physical sanctuary to the spiritual sanctuary. So instead of offering sacrifices of the blood of an animal we are offering now our praises and worship—your tongue; your tongue. Your tongue is key to your offerings now, but the Lord is speaking to you today. How can you use the same tongue with slandering here, committing sin here, coarse jokes, jokes about sexuality, sexual immorality and come back and offer sacrifices of worship and praise? That is a crippled animal! Do you hear me? "That animal is crippled. I don't receive that type." Do you see where your tongue is taking you?

We ceased to offer the blood of an animal. We now offer the praises and worship to the Lord—spiritual sacrifices. You see that? That means your tongue. That is why the Lord calls me today to talk about the tongue. When you come here and you start speaking to the Lord, "Oh you are the Almighty King. I give you praise. You are the Most High God." It is what comes out of your tongue that He receives as the fragrance through the Blood of Jesus. You understand? You cannot use the same tongue elsewhere. If you did that then you are offering a crippled animal, a diseased animal and a blind animal to the Lord. Did you hear me somebody?

Oh how I pray today that the Lord will teach you how to use your tongue for His holy purposes. The tongue, the fruit of your lips—you are speaking to the Lord. So you cannot use the same tongue to go behind the scenes gossiping. You see? "Oh you know what, that sister these days has this problem." You know sister-sister kind of gossip. Let us make sure that we stay away from gossip and slander. The bottom line is this, let us not use our tongue for sin and in this process I want us to begin realizing that sanctification is a spiritual process and the Holy Spirit empowers the process of sanctification. And John the Baptist, when he brought—that's why John the Baptist talked with me by the way. That's why the Father in His glory presented John the Baptist on my right hand side. Because John the Baptist started the ministry of repentance, and John the Baptist said there has to be fruits of repentance.

My tongue has to change. Sanctification has not taken place. We are lying to God if that be the case. Do you understand me? Let us show the fruits of repentance, the fruits of sanctification. It is a spiritual process that has far reaching ramifications. In the audio people hear in your life, how you walk, all I'm telling you is that now we need to move into holiness. We need to move into the Inner Court, the Holy of Holies, and we need to understand the true definition of the word holy—to be holy in all that we do, not saying on Sundays then back to gossip—all, all. Completely all, really, all means all! And listen to me: The heaven and the earth will come and go but this Word will not change. All will mean all. So the perfect bride of Christ will be that bride on whom Christ is enthroned. Christ is the head of that bride and that bride is Christ centered and that bride has the works of the Holy Spirit into every bit of fiber—like you see in the Ark of the Covenant in the throne room of God in heaven. Remember Apostle John saw the same thing. One year later the Lord showed me that section I was shocked. Apostle John saw the same lightning in the throne room. That is the work of the Holy Spirit completing the will of God—the will of sanctifying the church; sanctifying you the Christian. The power of the Holy Spirit is resident in that bride of Christ on whom Christ is enthroned.

Your tongue now, how can you take it back there? Crippled animals, blind animals, diseased animals—how can you give those animals to Him? Give Him holy offerings. Use your tongue for God. I want you to take one week, those of you who have been in a very bad shape in that area. Go into fasting. That's alright during this week, just go and start fasting (and) say, "Lord clean up my tongue. Now I've understood, Lord that actually my tongue is a medium of communication how could I have used it for something else? How could I have used it for Satan and yet I'm not carrying any jar of blood of an animal. It is a spiritual tabernacle now. It is a spiritual tabernacle now. I'm offering the spiritual offerings now. How could I have done this Lord?" And during this time think about the things you have done with your tongue. During this time I want you to talk to the Lord using that tongue and tell Him, "Lord, now I know there is power in the tongue—the power to life and death and I chose life."

During this time repent also. For those of you that have used the tongue wrongly, those of you that may have used your tongue in a way that is not right. During this time you can also begin repenting. If the Lord tells you to go into one week fast go ahead and do that, so we will not offer animals that are crippled, blind or diseased anymore. It is a spiritual offering. It is not a physical offering. It is not at all. It is a spiritual sacrifice of praise and worship and it should come from the inside of your heart as you speak to the Lord. The Bible says from the abundance of the heart comes everything that you say. Ask the Lord to minister to you. Let this be a personal walk with the Lord.

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