

Tongue Twister

Pt. 1 - Tongue Tied

Opening - Ezekiel's book "Socks on Fox"

Proverbs 6:2, ...you have been trapped by what you said, ensnared by the words of your mouth...

- Our tongue is often tied to our disfunction.

Proverbs 21:23, He who guards his mouth and his tongue keeps himself from calamity.

Note - We simply don't think before we speak.

Example - The guy who jumped on the alligator

Note - It goes beyond just not thinking things through. There is power in our words.

Proverbs 18:21, The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Example - Harsh rebuke from the pulpit

- Our tongue is also tied to our deliverance.

Mark 11:19-22, When evening came, they went out of the city. 20 In the morning, as they went along, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots. 21 Peter remembered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree you cursed has withered!" 22 "Have faith in God," Jesus answered. 23 "I tell you the truth, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him.

Note - Many argue this is the result of faith, not words
- But faith is the result of words!

Romans 10:17, So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Note - We need to say the right things. What we say must line up with what God says.

- Our tongue are tied to our salvation.

Romans 10:9-10, ...if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

Note - There is no such thing as secret Christianity!

Matthew 10:32-33, "Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. 33 But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven."

Note - You are not a secret in heaven!

Example - Job

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- Our tongue is tied to the salvation of others.

Romans 10:14, How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?

Note - Who in your life will be able to accuse you of withholding information on the Day of Judgment?

- Our tongue is tied to our heart.

Luke 6:45, The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil

things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks.

Note - Our words form an ultrasound image of what's in our heart!

Example - Yancy's Dove Award