

Grace in Action: Serving through God's Love Stop Talking with Devil Tongue

The new slogan will be "You have the power to change your world." This slogan focuses on empowering individuals to take action and make a tangible difference. It's energetic and suggests a spark of change.

"The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison."-James 3:6-8

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

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."-Ephesians 4:29

The Bible offers several verses that address the power and potential danger of the tongue. This passage vividly portrays the destructive potential of uncontrolled speech. This verse highlights the significant impact our words can have, both positive and negative. This scripture encourages us to use our speech for constructive and uplifting purposes. When I think about the Democrats in Congress, I think about the Democrats tongue on fire. They do not want to work with the Republicans in the center, rather be a party of resistance. The Democrats represent the political party of evil and Satan kingdom. It is time for Democrats to end their evil ways and think about the American people with solutions in the center. I agree with Cuomo on the Stephen A. Smith shows that the Democratic party is not the political party of progressives. Democratic party is a party of corruption with their mouths and words daily.

The analogy of fire emphasizes the rapid and uncontrollable spread of damage that words can inflict. Just like a small spark can ignite a massive blaze, a careless or malicious word can have far-reaching and devastating consequences. This phrase highlights the tongue's capacity to unleash a wide range of negative emotions and actions, including lies, slander, gossip, and insults. It suggests that the tongue can be a conduit for all sorts of wickedness. Our words reflect our inner selves, and they also shape our character and actions. When we consistently use harmful language, it corrupts our entire being, affecting our relationships, our mental state, and our overall well-being. It is saying that the source of the problem is evil. The passage acknowledges the difficulty of controlling the tongue. The tongue remains a "restless evil," prone to outbursts and destructive tendencies. It encourages us to be mindful of our speech and to strive to use our words for good rather than evil. Applying these verses to our daily lives involves cultivating a deep awareness of our speech and its impact. Democrats need to govern and wait to get short and long-term results by stopping assuming stuff about the legislation and policies passed under this congress. Democrats in congress are not progressive because progressive people are people that get things done. As Bishop and senior pastor of the congregation, I am a progressive because I actually get things done as a leader since 2011. I have actually helped the homeless personally out of my own personal money in many places based on my receipts and tax returns, the church has provided in-kind donations to the homeless and low-income families in many cities based on final reports, took action to prevent members from getting Covid and comply with laws from CDC by creating a committee to tackle the

issue, Emergency Assistance Program helped low-income individuals and families pay household expenses and utilities, ex-offenders and juvenile outreach programs in detention centers and prisons. I will continue to be a progressive leader to move the church east campus to the New York City area and forget about Baltimore. I enforced and signed an executive order previously to provide a 6-10 month residency requirement for rents in Detroit, Chicago, Atlanta, New York, Houston, Cleveland, Louisville and Dubuque.

1. Pay close attention to the words you use, your tone, and your overall communication style.
2. Recognize situations or emotions that tend to lead to harmful speech.
3. Before speaking, especially in emotionally charged situations, take a moment to pause and consider your words.
4. Strive to use your words to encourage, uplift, and support others.
5. Consider the feelings of those you are speaking to, and choose words that promote understanding and compassion.
6. Refrain from spreading rumors or speaking negatively about others behind their backs.
7. Acknowledge that your words have the power to create or destroy, to heal or to wound.
8. Be accountable for the words you use, and be willing to apologize when you have caused harm.
9. Align your speech with your beliefs and principles.
10. Ask for God's help in taming your tongue and using your words wisely.
11. Regularly meditate on passages like James 3:6-8 and other verses that address the importance of speech.
12. When you feel the need to speak, let the holy spirit guide your words.

This highlights the significant impact our words can have. I am happy that Rep. Al Green was censured for his actions and outburst in congress, but I oppose that no actions were taken during the Obama administration when Rep. Joe Wilson should “you lie” during his state of the union speech. We will reap the consequences of our words and actions. If we consistently use our tongue for good, we will experience positive outcomes. If we use it for evil, we will face negative consequences.

the importance of filtering our speech and being mindful of the potential damage it can cause. the purpose of our speech: to benefit others. Our words should have a positive impact, leaving people feeling better than before they heard them.

1. Be deliberate in your choice of words.
2. Consider the emotional state of the person you are speaking to.
3. Listen actively and respond with compassion.
4. Offer genuine compliments and express appreciation.
5. Acknowledge and affirm the good in others.
6. If you need to address a difficult issue, do so with kindness and respect.
7. Focus on solutions and offer encouragement.
8. Apply the same principles to your social media posts and comments.
9. Avoid engaging in online arguments or spreading negativity.

Gossip is generally defined as talking about someone's personal affairs when they are not present. That is why I do not like being around my family during the holidays during my childhood. I am talking about

my mother and stepfather's side of the family. They gossip about people from their jobs on a daily basis as well. People need to be friendly with their coworkers on and off the clock. That is why I left the Democratic Party because they are all about rhetoric and gossip that need to tame their tongue. If there is a problem with someone, encourage people to speak to that person directly, instead of talking about them behind their back. People in shared room living situations gossip about other tenants thinking they know everything. I hate shared room living situations unless you are sharing with the right and positive person that does not gossip, act like haters and instigators. People need to focus on what they got going on in their life and not other people. It causes those people to become hater and lean into deep depression, anger and bipolar. That goes on in many homeless shelters today and people hate serious people looking to get their life together while other homeless men and women rather hate on those serious people, gossip about them thinking they know everything about them. I am proud to say that I sent various emails to City of Trenton City Council members about the Trenton Rescue Mission explaining the truth about the violence and fighting that break out in the facility on a daily basis. After I did that, I started to see my emails to city council members making an impact and started seeing city law enforcement come into the facility on a daily basis two months ago. I had to get out of New Jersey anyway because the state was not working for me economically. I felt like I needed to leave and now back living in the New York City area.

The church implemented children reading and math programs years ago to help them increase test scores and prepare for college. Those children in the program have prepared themselves for college with high test scores and got accepted to universities. Some of the children are under 25 years of age or older about to graduate with Bachelor and Master degree in Business, Healthcare, Marketing, Finance, Computer Science and Engineering. The church paid for the children's college education through grants and grassroots fundraising. I have been invited to graduations with the first lady Jennifer in May 2025 with their families and friends. The program provided assistance to 457 total children to increase reading test scores. It is still more to do for our children in New York, Chicago, Southeast Michigan, Houston and Atlanta. The program provided assistance to 603 total children in Mathematics to increase test scores. The numbers continue to increase because of the speech I gave to children years ago about the importance of going to college and having options for themselves. I gave a heartfelt speech to youth and children on the importance of education. We do not need the US Department of Education for the children to do its part to give back to communities to help children succeed to be able to articulate in reading and math. The programs have worked with children with learning disabilities and mental health to succeed. I told children college degrees and education will give them options in the economy and private sector to prevent mass incarceration, jail and prison time, and living at homeless shelters as adults for many years. We are looking for grant money and financial support to fund our programs to continue to let our program continue to do what it does to help children and youth succeed and become more proficient in reading and math. The church just created a new office last year called Office of Integrity and Transparency to manage the church's honesty and transparency initiatives. This positive response underscores the value of our commitment to integrity and openness. We look forward to forgoing strong partnerships that align with our principles and further our mission. Lord Jesus Christ Community Baptist Church is proud to reaffirm its commitment to honesty, transparency and integrity. Recognizing the importance of these values, the church aims to protect and support its parishioners, staff, members and community against negativity and discrimination.

My sabbath days are Wednesday and Saturday. It will be my sabbath days in the New York City area starting March 29, 2025. My scheduled sabbath days are used for prayer, meditation, and scripture study.

That is how I stay disciplined as a man of God and Bishop. On my sabbath days, I think about God and thank God for what God has done for me. I spend time confessing and repent for my sins to keep a clean heart to God and the Holy Spirit. I know the First Lady Jennifer's sabbath days are the same as mine in Chicago and while she is on the road for the Women's Ministry. I use my sabbath days to make a godly decision to the Lord and not be unsure of myself. I prevent burnouts such as struggling and making decisions, sleep disturbances, changes in appetite, stress and headaches. I will stop harming my body when I move and settle in Brooklyn starting March 26 when I leave Baltimore for good. I will spend more time with First Lady Jennifer while living in Brooklyn starting March 26, 2025. So far I have accomplished many things during my sabbath in the past and present:

1. Build a strong team of clergy and lay leaders to share the workload by appointing Elder this past January of this year to share my workload in Houston.
2. Appointed virtual pastor to share my workload that is domestic and international
3. Reading the bible and applying key scriptures to my life.
4. Praise and thank God through thanksgiving
5. Increase partnerships for the church to help the homeless in NYC, Chicago, Southeast Michigan, Houston, Atlanta, Cleveland, Louisville, Dubuque and Philadelphia.
6. Trust that God will provide for the needs of the congregation.
7. Trust God with my personal finances and economic well-being
8. Make sure that you have time for your own personal needs.
9. Engage in regular physical activity to reduce stress and improve overall health. That is why I need to move back to NYC and get out of Baltimore because there is nothing to do here to utilize my spiritual gifts in shepherding, wisdom, exhortation and teaching.
10. Prioritize getting enough sleep to ensure optimal functioning.
11. I will do more devotion videos like I did in Houston in 2023 while living in Brooklyn. They are posted on the church YouTube channel, Facebook and TikTok.