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Proverbs 18:20, *“A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; [and] with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.”*

There is much in Proverbs about the words we speak. It would take volumes to discuss each verse. The best we can do in this small space is to discuss a verse at time. Even then we are just scratching the surface.

We all know how eating fills us. The above verse is telling us that we will be filled from the words that we speak. The New King James version translates the same verse as, *“A man's stomach shall be satisfied from the fruit of his mouth; From the produce of his lips he shall be filled.”*

Our words will indeed come back to us and fill us. Do we speak kind and patient words, or are our words hateful and bitter? The words that we speak will fill us. Can we take being filled with the types of words we speak to others?

The next verse, Proverbs 18:21, continues the thought of eating what we speak, *“Death and life [are] in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.”*

The produce of the tongue is so powerful it brings about death and life. I used to think this verse was saying how our words can lead others to death and life. The words of people are indeed powerful enough to do such. The words from a military commander can easily lead troops to life or death. Our words can lead someone closer to or turn them from the LORD, leading to spiritual life or death.

I think this verse does indeed mean how our words will influence others. I also think it means our words will influence ourselves for life or death. The words we speak and how we speak them will set us on a course of eternal salvation or eternal damnation.

To love the tongue is to love the use thereof. Are we using it for good to encourage others and lead ourselves to an eternal home in Heaven? Or are our words preventing ourselves and others from eternal salvation?

James talks about how our words can lead to eternal damnation. James 3:6, *“And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.”*

Our words can set on fire the course we take in life. From the above verse we can tell that James is plainly warning us that our words can create a “fire” of problems in life, and ultimately lead to the fire of hell.

Let's use the power of the tongue to teach and encourage others regarding salvation and ultimately lead ourselves to eternal life in Heaven.

—Marty Edwards❖

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News

—Continue to remember **Alice Vanderstoep, Steve Seaton, Brad Terry, Enola Zigler, Shirley Edwards, Clay Bozarth, Becky Hatcher, Joanna Locke, Timmy Philpott, Linda Terry & Beulah Baker. Larry Compton** is scheduled for eye surgery this Tuesday, June 27. He had Covid this past week but is doing much better. **David** and **Alice Vanderstoep** have both been very sick with Covid.

—**Stewart Franklin** is quite sick and hospitalized in a Waxahachie, Texas hospital. He was visiting his sister. He has an infection. The doctors cannot determine it's origin. He was at Bible study Wednesday and became quite ill. More details and updates can be found on our church FaceBook group. If you are not part of this group and would like to be, let us know.

—Congratulations to **Timmy Philpott** who was baptized at the building last Sunday afternoon. He is the husband of Jean Philpott. Thanks to all who assisted with the baptism. Timmy is in a wheelchair and it took a few men to get him lowered into the baptistry. Continue to remember his health as he has been diagnosed with lung cancer.

—There will be no Bible study at the Church building on Wednesday, July 6. I'll be speaking at the Horse Cave congregation at 6:00 p.m. All are encouraged to attend. If you cannot, we plan to broadcast the service on YouTube and TuneIn Radio.

—We are now broadcasting Bible readings on YouTube as well as TuneIn Radio. You should be able to search for "Bible readings" on YouTube and find the broadcast.

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Sunday, June 19, 2022		
Classes	10	Matthew 20:25-34
Preaching	22	Amos 8:1-2 (Basket of summer fruit)
Contribution	\$761.00	
Evening	17	Acts 2; Acts 8 (Baptism)
Wednesday, June 23, 2021		
Classes	4	Psalms 119:97-120

Visitors— Jun 19 (PM) Adam, Erin, Asher & Everett Huff (Glasgow, KY); Deborah Bunnell (Northtown, KY)

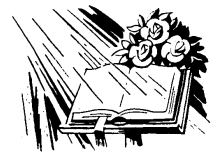
Bible Quiz

What was a lamp and light to the psalmist?

Last Week's Answer— Five times (Genesis 43:34)

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light."

—I Peter 2:9



—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)