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**The Power of Words, part 1**

**'By the Word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.  
For He spoke, and it was done;  
He commanded, and it stood fast'**

Psalm 33:6, 9

**Our words describe who we are, deciding even where we will go on  
Judgment Day (Mt 12:33-37)**

- † The words we speak are a pure reflection of our hearts. If the words are gentle, we are gentle; if the words are mean, we are mean
- † *'For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation' Rom 10:10*
- † The words we speak are the fruits we carry
- † Our words reveal the real us, who we are

**The tremendous power of words (Is 40: 8; Jn 1: 1-4, 14)**

- † *'Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit' Prv 18:21*
- † *'Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers' Eph 4:29*

**Usually one reaps what one sows. But our mouths are disproportionate;  
with our words we reap much more than we sow (Jas 3:1-12)**

- † **By His Word, God created all the universe, the things we see and the things we do not see (Gn 1)**
- † **Our words make the world around us**
- † **By their words, the crowd condemned the Lord Jesus Christ and led Him to crucifixion. *'Crucify Him! Crucify Him' Lk 23:21***

## Let us use that power, the power of words, for God's glory

- † Words are the things most frequently used by us humans. That is why there is the WPM which means 'word per minute'
- † The average rates are
  - 37 to 44 wpm for typing
  - Slightly more than 30 wpm for writing
  - 200 - 250 wpm for reading
  - 150 wpm for speaking
  - Imagine a 10 minutes conversation is 1500 words. A one-hour conversation is 9000 words. What power is in what we speak daily!

## Bibliography

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## Legend

 Refers to mandatory readings

## Verse to memorize

'Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt' Colossians 4:6

## In my Prayer and Faith Autobiography Book

### God acts

- † God created the world with His Words (*Gn 1*). The Word of God is life (*Dt 32: 47; Mt 4:4*). The Word of God is light (*Ps 119: 105*). With a word, God heals (*Ps 107: 20*)

### My reaction

- † Am I using my words constructively?
- † Am I allowing the Holy Spirit to guide me?

**During the coming week, let us pray expectantly**

- 1. seeking the Lord's will to be done in Lebanon**
- 2. for CrossTalk to find a locale**
- 3. for David, Gisele, Habib and Karim**
- 4. to become more of saints and less of sinners**
- 5. to seek the Lord in every word I say, every act I do and every thought I think**
- 6. to help in building His Kingdom by building His Church on earth**
- 7. to deny ourselves, carry our cross and follow Him**
- 8. to thank Him for creating us and each one around us, on His image and likeness, and choosing us to reveal His splendor**
- 9. to all the sick**
- 10. to all those in prison**
- 11. to the unity of the Christians**
- 12. to one another to be honest and not lack integrity**
- 13. to put all that we have in the Lord's hands trusting His management**
- 14. to all the Christians who are being persecuted, and to those who are persecuting them**
- 15. to all families, that the Lord unites the parents together in His Name and stops all fights**
- 16. to the situation in Lebanon, Syria, Egypt, Iraq and the whole region**

**During this coming week, we will lift the Greek Orthodox Church in prayer**

الصلاة الربانية

أبانا الذي في السموات  
ليتقدس اسمك  
ليأت ملكوتك  
ليتك مشيئتك  
كما في السماء  
كذلك على الأرض  
خبرنا الجوهرى أعطنا اليوم  
واترك لنا ما علينا  
كما نترك نحن  
لنا عليه  
ولا ندخلنا في تجربة  
لكن نجنا من الشرير  
أمين

قانون الايمان

أومن بالله واحد  
أب ضابط الكل  
خالق السماء والأرض  
كل ما يرى وما لا يرى  
وبرب واحد يسوع المسيح  
ابن الله الوحيد  
المولود من الأب قبل كل الدهور  
نور من نور، إله حق من إله حق  
مولود غير مخلوق  
مساو للأب في الجوهر  
الذي به كان كل شيء  
الذي من أجلنا نحن البشر ومن أجل خلاصنا  
نزل من السماء  
وتجسد من الروح القدس ومن مريم العذراء  
وتأنس  
وصلب عنا على عهد بيلاطس البنطي  
وتألم وقبر  
وقام في اليوم الثالث على ما في الكتب  
وصعد إلى السماء  
وجلس عن يمين الأب  
وأيضاً يأتي بمجد  
ليدين الأحياء والأموات  
الذي لا فناء لمملكه  
وبالروح القدس  
الرب المحيي  
المنتيق من الأب  
الذي هو مع الأب والابن  
مسجود له وممجّد  
التأطق بالأنبياء  
وبكنيسة واحدة، جامعة، مقدسة، رسولية  
وأعترف بعمودية واحدة لمغفرة الخطايا  
وأترجى قيامة الموتى والحياة في الدهر الآتي  
أمين