

(ABC's that threaten Christian living)

# Evil And Filthy Communication

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## **Timeless Truths** (Why should I avoid evil and filthy communication?)

1. Everyone who is unregenerate practices evil and filthy communication, (Rom. 3:13-14).
2. Jesus is the greatest example of sinless communication, (1 Pt. 2:22, see, 1 Tim. 6:3).
3. Christians will face evil and filthy communication from the world, (1 Pt. 2:12; 3:16).
4. The love of life and good days is directly related to refraining from evil and filthy communication, (1 Pt. 3:10).
5. One of the greatest contradictions is the Christian's mouth that blesses God and curses man, (Ja. 3:9-10).

## **Practical Prescriptions** (How can I control my communication?)

### ***1. Set your speech "apart" from the world's speech!***

- A. "Let . . . evil speaking be put away from you," (Eph. 4:31).
- B. "Put off all . . . blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth," (Col. 3:8).
- C. "Refrain his tongue from evil and lips from speaking guile," (1 Pt. 3:10).
- D. "Laying aside all . . . evil speaking," (1 Pt. 2:1).
- E. ". . . Avoiding the profane and vain babblings . . ." (1 Tim. 6:20).

### ***2. Stop using "double standards" within your speech!***

- A. "Let it not be named among you as is fitting for saints, neither filthiness nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting," (Eph. 5:4).
- B. "Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing, my brethren these things ought not to be so," (Ja. 3:10).
- C. ". . . Do not swear either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath, but your yes be yes and your no be no lest you fall into judgment," (Ja. 5:12; Mt. 5:34).

### ***3. Supply words that "edify" within your speech!***

- A. "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification that it may impart grace to the hearers," (Eph. 4:29).
- B. "Do not speak evil of one another, brethren he who speaks evil of a brother and judges a brother speaks evil of the law and judges the law," (Ja. 4:11).
- C. "Bless them who persecute you, bless and do not curse," (Rom. 12:14; Mt. 5:44).