

# He Gave His Word and Made Us Saints

## The Principle of Reversal (13)

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### 28. He didn't say a word to His captors so that we would have His Word to speak to ours (captors).

#### He didn't say a word to His captors

Isa 53:7 ...Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth. (Mt 26:63; 27:12-14; Mk 14:61; 15:5; Lk 23:9; Jn 19:9; 1Pt 2:23)

#### So that we would have His Word

##### Jesus is the Word

Jn 1:1-3 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. (Heb 1:1-2; 1Jn 1:1-2; Rev 19:13)

##### The Word of God Has power:

Isa 55:11 My word which goes forth from My mouth will not return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what I desire and succeeding in the matter for which I sent it. (Ps 147:18)

##### Power to save

Jas 1:21 Therefore, putting aside all filthiness and all that remains of wickedness, in humility receive the word implanted, which is able to save your souls. (2Tim 3:15; 1Pt 1:23)

##### Power to create

Ps 33:6 By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, And by the breath of His mouth all their host. (Gen 1:1-3; 2Pt 3:5)

Heb 1:3 And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

##### Power to heals and rescues

Ps 107:20 He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.

##### Power to build you up

Ac 20:32 "And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

##### Power to feed (nourish) us

Mt 4:4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD.'" (Dt 8:3; Lk 4:4)

#### So that we would speak His Word

##### God spoke to the chaos and darkness

Gen 1:1-3 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters. 3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

##### chaos (from Dictionary of Bible Themes)

A state of complete disorder or confusion. The first stage of creation where, having brought something out of nothing, God had not yet brought order to the universe. This primeval chaos, often symbolised by surging waters, threatens to disrupt God's order at any time. God sometimes allows a return to chaos as judgment.

## Speak to our captors.

**craftiness in deceitful scheming** = speaks of the work of darkness, Satan.

Eph 4:14-16 As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; 15 but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, ... (2Cor 4:2-4; Ac 13:10)

2Cor 11: 3 But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

Eph 6:11-12 Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.

### the devil speaks lies

Jn 8:44 "You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies." (Jn 8:38; Ac 5:3)

## Speak, rebuke, use scripture

### Prophetic picture

Zec 3:1-5 Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him. 2 The LORD said to Satan, "The LORD rebuke you, Satan! Indeed, the LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is this not a brand plucked from the fire?" 3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments and standing before the angel. 4 He spoke and said to those who were standing before him, saying, "Remove the filthy garments from him." Again he said to him, "See, I have taken your iniquity away from you and will clothe you with festal robes." 5 Then I said, "Let them put a clean turban on his head." So they put a clean turban on his head and clothed him with garments, while the angel of the LORD was standing by.

### Jesus used scripture to defeat Satan

Lk 4:3 And the devil said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." 4 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE.'" (Mt 4:3-4)

Lk 4:7 ... "if You worship before me, it shall all be Yours." 8 Jesus answered him, "It written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD AND SERVE HIM ONLY.'" (Mt 4:8-11)

Lk 4:9-12 ... "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here ... 12 And Jesus answered and said to him, "It is said, 'YOU SHALL NOT PUT THE LORD YOUR GOD TO THE TEST.'" (Mt 4:5-7)

### Jesus defeated the powers of darkness through the cross.

1 Jn 3:8 ... The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil. (Jn 12:31; 14:30)

Col 2:14-15 having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. 15 When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him. (Col 1:13; Heb 2:14-15; Tit 2:14; Mt 28:18)

### Believers are victorious through the victory of Jesus Christ

Rom 8:37 But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. (Rom 8:37-39; 1Jn 5:4-5)

1Cor 15:57 but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

2Cor 2:14 But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and manifests through us the sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him in every place.

### **Believers are to defeat Satan**

Rev 12:10-11 "Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before our God day and night. 11 "And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death. (1Jn 2:13-14)

### **Speak His word as ambassadors**

Jn 20:21 Jesus said ..., "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

2Cor 5:18-21 Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, 19 namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. 20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. 21 He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (Eph 6:19; 2Cor 3:6)

### **The apostles example:**

#### **They are commanded not to speak to anyone**

Ac 4:17-20 "But so that it will not spread any further among the people, let us warn them to speak no longer to any man in this name." 18 And when they had summoned them, they commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. 19 But Peter and John answered and said to them, " Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge; 20 for we cannot stop speaking about what we have seen and heard." (Ac 5; 5:20, 40)

#### **Their prayer:**

Ac 4:29-31 "And now, Lord, take note of their threats, and grant that Your bond-servants may speak Your word with all confidence, 30 while You extend Your hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Your holy servant Jesus." 31 And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God with boldness.

### **Faith works through speaking God's word**

Rom 10:6-10 But the righteousness based on faith speaks as follows: "DO NOT SAY IN YOUR HEART, 'WHO WILL ASCEND INTO HEAVEN?' ... 7 or 'WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?' ... 8 But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART"--that is, the word of faith which we are preaching, 9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; (Rom 10:5-13)

Mk 11:23 "Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be granted him." (Mt 17:20; 21:21; Lk 17:6)

2Cor 4:13 But having the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I BELIEVED, THEREFORE I SPOKE," we also believe, therefore we also speak (Jn 15:7-8)

## **29. He died with sinners so that we might live with saints**

### **He died with sinners**

Mt 27:38 At that time two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and one on the left.  
(Mt 26:45)

Rom 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners , Christ died for us.

1Tim 1:15 ... Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners ...

### **So that we might live with saints**

#### **We are no longer sinners, we are saints**

Eph 2:19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household,

Gal 2:15 We are Jews by nature and not sinners from among the Gentiles ...

#### **The gospel was handed down to the saints**

Jude 3 Beloved, while I was making every effort to write you about our common salvation, I felt the necessity to write to you appealing that you contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all handed down to the saints.

#### **The church is made up of saints**

1Cor 1:2 To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours:

Eph 4:12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;

1 Cor 14:33 for God is not a God of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.  
(2Tim 1:9; 1Thes 4:7; Dan 7:18)