

THIS WEEKS SERMON
THE TEN COMMANDMENTS
"DISCIPLINE
YOUR
SPEECH"

Exodus 20:7

"You shall not **misuse** the name of the **Lord** your God, for the **Lord** will **not** hold anyone **blameless** who ***misuses*** his name.

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John 20:28 (NIV)

Thomas said to him,
"My LORD and my
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Philippians 2:9 (NIV)

"Therefore God **exalted**
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that is **above** every name!"

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Matthew 5:33-35 (NIV)

"Again, you have **heard** that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do **not break** your oath, but **keep the oaths** you have **made** to the Lord!'

But I **tell you** do **not** swear **at all**: either by **heaven**, for it is God's **throne**; 35 or by the **earth**, for it is his **footstool**; or by **Jerusalem**, for it is the **city** of the **great king**!"

Matthew 5:36 (NIV)

36 And do **not swear** by your **head**, for you **cannot make** even one hair **white** or **black!**"

Matthew 5:37 (NIV)

"Simply let your '**YES**' be '**YES**', and your '**NO**', '**NO**'; anything **beyond this** comes from the **evil one!**"

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James 3:2 (NIV)

2 "We all **stumble** in many ways. If **anyone** is **never at fault** in what he **says**, he is a **perfect man**, able to keep his **whole body** in check!"

James 3:7-8 (NIV)

"All **kinds** of animals, birds, reptiles and creatures of the sea are being **tamed** and have **been tamed** by man, 8 but **no man** can tame the **tongue**. It is a **restless evil**, full of **deadly poison!**"

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- F. The third commandment "**warns**" that profanity is a "**serious sin**"!

Leviticus 24:13-16 (NIV)

13 "Then the **Lord** said to Moses:
 14 '**take** the **blasphemer** outside the camp. All those who **heard him** are to lay their **hands** on his **head**, and the **entire assembly** is to **stone him**!
 15 Say to the Israelites:

'If anyone **curses his god**, he will be **held responsible**; 16 anyone who **blasphemes** the name of the **Lord** is to be **put to death**! The entire assembly **must stone him**! Whether an **alien** or native-born, when he **blasphemes** the **name**, he must be **put to death**!"

1 Timothy 1:20 (NIV)

"Among them are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have **handed over** to Satan to be taught **not** to **blaspheme**!"

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Psalm 111:9b-10a,

"**Holy** and **awesome** is His **name**! The **fear** of the Lord is the **beginning** of **wisdom....**"

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Matthew 12:33-37 (NIV)

33 "Make a tree **good** and its **fruit** will be **good**, or make a tree **bad** and its **fruit** will be **bad**, for a tree is **recognized** by its **fruit**. 34 You brood of **vipers**, how can **you** who are **evil** say anything **good**?

For **out** of the **overflow** of the **heart** the **mouth speaks!** 35 The **good man** brings **good things** out of the **good** stored up **in Him**, and the **evil man** brings **evil things** out of the **evil** stored up **in Him**.

36 But I tell you that **men** will have to **give account** on the day of **judgement** for every **careless word** they have **spoken**. 37 For by your **words** you will be **acquitted**, and by your **words** you will be **condemned."**

James 3: 9-12

9 With the tongue we **praise** our Lord and Father, and with it we **curse** men, who have been **made** in **God's likeness**. 10 Out of the **same mouth** come **praise** and **cursing**. My brothers, this **should not be**. 11 Can both **fresh** water and **salt** water flow from the **same** spring? 12 My brothers, can a **fig** tree bear **olives**, or a **grapevine** bear **figs**? Neither can a **salt** spring produce **fresh** water.

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A. "**Repent**".

1 John 1:9 (NIV)

"If we **confess** our **sins**, he is
faithful and **just** and will
forgive us our **sins** and
purify us from **all**
unrighteousness."

Isaiah 66:2 (NIV)

"Has not **my hand** made **all** these
things, and so they **came into**
being?" declares the **Lord**. "**This** is
the one I esteem: He who is
humble and **contrite** in **spirit**, and
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Job 12:11 (NIV)

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- E. "**Positive material**".

Philippians 4:8-9 (NIV)

8 "Finally, brothers, whatever is **true**, whatever is **noble**, whatever is **right**, whatever is **pure**, whatever is **lovely**, whatever is **admirable**—if anything is **excellent** or

praiseworthy—think about such things. 9 Whatever you have **learned** or **received** or **heard** from me, or **seen in me**—put it into **practice**. And the **God** of **peace** will be with you."

