

The Power of Your Declaration!

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Recap of The Route to Greatness Feb 04

Five Milestones to Attain in 2018:

1. Choose Life.
2. Emulate Righteousness.
3. Be Diligent; Make the Most of Every Opportunity.
4. Give Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving.
5. Allow God to Fight Your Battles.

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In physical realm, declaration happens with the mouth or by action that is apparent to the eye.

In Spiritual realm, however, declaration happens with the heart.

To see the totality of what a man declares, you must, therefore, access the man's heart, not mouth/action.

Bible says "*the LORD does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.*" (1 Samuel 16:7).

Man makes judgement based on what is said or done. But reality is that the mouth only speaks/declares a fraction of what the heart declares.

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But “out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.” **Matthew 12:34**

Proverbs 4: 23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

Everyone who is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD; Assuredly, he will not be unpunished.

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Proverbs 4:23 “Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.”

In Luke 1, we see account of two righteous people: Zechariah and Mary who declaration produce two kinds of result: Bad and Good.

⁸ Once when Zechariah’s division was on duty and he was serving as priest before God... ¹⁰ And when the time for the burning of incense came, all the assembled worshipers were praying outside.

¹¹ Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. ¹² When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear. ¹³ But the angel said to him:

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“Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John. ¹⁴ He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, ¹⁵ for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He is never to take wine or other fermented drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he is born. ¹⁶ He will bring back many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. ¹⁷ And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the parents to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous — to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”

¹⁸ Zechariah asked the angel, “**How can I be sure of**

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this? I am an old man and my wife is well along in years.”THIS IS A DOUBTING HEART.

¹⁹ The angel said to him, “I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to tell you this good news.²⁰ And now you will be silent and not able to speak until the day this happens, because you did not believe my words, which will come true at their appointed time.”

Note that the angel did not focus on what Zachariah said instead tacked what was on his heart – “because you did not believe my words.”

God does not look at the mouth, but the heart from which a fraction had come out.

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²⁸ The angel went to Mary and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.”

²⁹ Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. ³⁰ But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over Jacob’s descendants forever; his kingdom will never end.”

³⁴ **“How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?”** ... **Mary needed clarification because she was still a virgin. To this the angel provided more information:** ³⁵ The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you.

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So the holy one to be born will be called **the Son of God.**

38 “I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May your word to me be fulfilled.” Then the angel left her.

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In Numbers **13** The LORD said to Moses, ²“Send out men to explore the land of Canaan, the land I am giving to the Israelites.

²⁵ After exploring the land for forty days, the men returned ²⁶ to Moses, Aaron, and the whole community of Israel: “We entered the land you sent us to explore, and it is indeed a bountiful country—a land flowing with milk and honey. Here is the kind of fruit it produces. ²⁸ But the people living there are powerful, and their towns are large and fortified. We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak!

³⁰ But Caleb tried to quiet the people as they stood before Moses. “Let’s go at once to take the land,” he said. “We can certainly conquer it!”

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³¹ But the other men who had explored the land with him disagreed. “We can’t go up against them! They are stronger than we are!”

14 Then the whole community began weeping aloud, and they cried all night. ² Their voices rose in a great chorus of protest against Moses and Aaron. “If only we had died in Egypt, or even here in the wilderness!” they complained. ³ “Why is the LORD taking us to this country only to have us die in battle? Our wives and our little ones will be carried off as plunder! Wouldn’t it be better for us to return to Egypt?” ⁴ Then they plotted among themselves, “Let’s choose a new leader and go back to Egypt!”*THIS WAS THEIR DECLARATION*

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¹⁰ But the whole community began to talk about stoning Joshua and Caleb. Then the glorious presence of the LORD appeared to all the Israelites at the Tabernacle.^[a] ¹¹ And the LORD said to Moses, “How long will these people treat me with contempt? Will they never believe me, even after all the miraculous signs I have done among them? ¹² I will disown them and destroy them with a plague. Then I will make you into a nation greater and mightier than they are!”

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- ³⁶ The ten men Moses had sent to explore the land—the ones who incited rebellion against the LORD with their bad report—³⁷ were struck dead with a plague before the LORD.³⁸ Of the twelve who had explored the land, only Joshua and Caleb remained alive.
- Brethren, there is power in our declaration. We must not doubt God nor the Spirit of God.

2018 PRAYER POINTS

1. Prayer over the message of today. Ask God for wisdom to guide our heart with every diligence
2. Pray that KCM will continue to fulfil its destiny as God's house of prayer for all nations (Isaiah 56:7)
3. Prayer for Leadership of Nations ...
 - a. The Lord to open their eyes to see the needs of the people
 - b. Leaders to be positioned to receive/work with parts so that God will connect the dots.
4. God to eradicate Troubles/Wars in nations so that people will be free to serve the Lord.
5. God to hear our prayers and cleanse our land (2 Chro 7:13-18). Pray against chronic diseases and sicknesses in our midst.
6. Pray for Minsters, Ministries, Missionaries and Missions and the commission to win souls
7. Sustained Marriages, God fearing Children & families to stay together
8. Pray for Members of the fellowship – grace to continue to declare the right things in our heart and make our heart a well of salvation.
- 9 Needs in fellowship & and any special request we have not covered
10. Commit the week unto God and pray for next Sunday.

