

**Winsome Words:  
Where Your Words Begin**

Last week, we learned of God's standard for our words:

***Honor the Lord, Help People***

Here is something that you do every single day: You speak out of your heart. Your words are much more driven by the orientation of your heart as opposed to your circumstance.

If you want your words to be winsome, you have to understand where your words begin. Let's take a look at Luke 6 and see where your words begin.

>Luke 6:43-45

Notice the pattern:

Good person. Good things. Good heart.

Evil person. Evil things. Evil heart.

***Out of the overflow of his heart, his mouth speaks.*** Luke 6:45b

Your words come from your heart.

Your words do not come from your circumstances.

Your words do not come from other people.

Your words do not come from our defeated enemy the devil.

Your words do not come from your nationality.

Your words do not come from your geography.

Your words do not come from your parents.

Your words do not come from alcohol, pressure, tired, hungry, alone.

***The heart of the fool blurts out folly.*** Proverbs 12:23

"The war of words always reveals a deeper war." Paul Tripp, 185 *War of Words*

The full message of the gospel goes past Jesus died on the cross and rose again to save people.

The full message of the gospel also includes ... God is at work IN YOU to make you holy.

When God gets a hold of your heart, your words will change.

***Guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.*** Proverbs 4:23