








The Creative Word

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- ▶ Jesus spoke creation into existence by his word
 - ▶ God made us in his own image
 - ▶ He put creative power into mankind
 - ▶ Out of the overflow of our heart our mouth speaks
 - ▶ The first step in to fill our hearts with the right stuff

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- ▶ The dynamic of the household
 - ▶ Invite Jesus into my life
 - ▶ As I listen to his voice and wisdom I am changed
 - ▶ Now as I am born again I have a permanent resident
 - ▶ Now I begin to think and behave like him
 - ▶ I take to heart what he says
 - ▶ Now I start to say what he says


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- ▶ Is it possible to take the Lord for granted ?
 - ▶ Can I find myself trying to organise my own life ?
 - ▶ That's for you to answer !
 - ▶ What happens – it produces worry, anxiety and stress
 - ▶ It leads me back into the fold
 - ▶ I go to that quiet place – listen to his voice – peace returns


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- ▶ I learn to say
 - ▶ I can do all thing through Christ who strengthens me.
 - ▶ I have the mind of Christ
 - ▶ He supplies all my needs according to his riches in Christ Jesus
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- ▶ I am loved unconditionally
 - ▶ I can love without fear


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- ▶ I can change my present and future by using the gift of creativity that God has given me.
 - ▶ The words that were spoken over me and by me were creative
 - ▶ I include thoughts.

Application

- ▶ 1. I will go to God with my problems and spend less time recounting my problems to
- ▶ First
- ▶ Others
- ▶ Philippians 4:4-8 *Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

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- ▶ 2. I will the Lord is always listening and has my interests at heart
 - ▶ Remember
 - ▶ Best
 - ▶ James 1:2-8 Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,^[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. ⁴ Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. ⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. ⁶ But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. ⁷ That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. ⁸ Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.
 - ▶ Maturity in the Biblical sense means – thinking as God thinks

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- ▶ I will remember that my are creative
 - ▶ Words
 - ▶ *I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴ This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us – whatever we ask – we know that we have what we asked of him.*
 - ▶ ¹Mark 11:22-25 'Have (the)faith (of) in God,' Jesus answered. ²³ 'Truly^[f] I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, "Go, throw yourself into the sea," and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. ²⁴ Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. ²⁵ And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.' ^[g]

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- ▶ What I and will become part of me
 - ▶ Speak
 - ▶ Hear

 - ▶ Psalm 40:10 *I do not hide your righteousness in my heart; I speak of your faithfulness and your saving help. I do not conceal your love and your faithfulness from the great assembly.*



- ▶ 5. I be transformed as I my mind

- ▶ Will

- ▶ Renew

- ▶ Romans 12:2 *Do not conform to the **pattern of this world**, but be **transformed** by the renewing **of** your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.*



▶ Conclusion

- ▶ **We can be creative with our tongues**
- ▶ Faith as God expresses it.
- ▶ Hebrew 11:1 *Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ² This is what the ancients were commended for.*
- ▶ The literal meaning is
- ▶ Now Faith is being sure (the confirmation- the title deed) of what we hope for and the certain (proof) of what we do not see.