James 3:9-11 NIV

With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring?

Ephesians 5:6-10 NLT

Don't be fooled by those who try to excuse these sins, for the anger of God will fall on all who disobey him. Don't participate in the things these people do. For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. So live as people of light! For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true. Carefully determine what pleases the Lord.

Luke 6:45 NLT

A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. What you say flows from what is in your heart.

The words of our <u>mouth</u> reveal the condition of our <u>heart!</u>

Stop abusing start uplifting

Ephesians 4:29 NLT

Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.

Stop 'joking' start reflecting

Ephesians 5:1,4 NLT

Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children... Obscene stories, foolish talk, and coarse jokes—these are not for you. Instead, let there be thankfulness to God.

Stop misusing start praising

Exodus 20:7 NLT

You must not misuse the name of the Lord your God. The Lord will not let you go unpunished if you misuse his name.

Psalm 63:1,4 ESV

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water...So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.

Response

I'm making the content of my language match the content of my heart I'm confronting the heart issue that is coming through my speech