

THE MOUTH IS TELLING

It is true that only God fully knows the heart, but how a person talks is revealing. The mouth tells on the heart!

In Matthew 12:33-37 Jesus used the analogy of a tree and its fruit. He said, “Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for a tree is known by its fruit.” (v. 33) And then went on to emphasize what comes out of the MOUTH.

Matthew 12:34 (NKJV)

34 Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

The fruit is what comes out of the mouth. After saying, “For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks” Jesus then said...

Matthew 12:35–37 (NKJV)

35 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things.

36 But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment.

37 For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”

James emphasizes that the mouth tells on the heart. In James 1:26 he said, “If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one’s religion is useless.”

Say what you will the mouth is TELLING!