

Careless Words

1 Pet 1:18 — Futile, *aimless* in the NKJ, the same word as *useless* in the Greek, as in Acts 14:15 — “turn from these useless things” — in Greek, *fruitless*, lacking substance.

Mt 12:35 — A good man has a good treasure in his heart. It accomplishes something. Verse 36 — Every useless word, every careless, inconsiderate, idle, heedless word, spoken from inadvertence and without inner glory you have to give an account for on the day of judgment. Glory is the inner worth that demands the respect of others through what you speak or do.

We need to consider that, since our words pollute the whole man (Jms 3:6). Your words betray you. It shows you. Words are the overflow of your heart.

Mt 12:37 — Abraham was justified. He showed himself to be righteous. By your word you show yourself to be good (verse 33). To be justified means to show yourself to be good. Sometimes we speak hurtful, careless words. *Careless* means heedless, negligent, unthinking, inattentive, regardless, unmindful, like a careless mother. A mother is not supposed to be careless. A mother mothers. That is what the word *mother* means. Heb 12:8-9 — A father is someone who disciplines; otherwise he is not a father. There is no such thing as a careless mother. A mother is not careless or inattentive to her children. She is like Gal 4:26.

Careless means to be without concern of how it affects others.

Mt 12:36-37 — Our Master Himself, the Word of God who came down from heaven, spoke these words.

Verse 40¹ — Christians say that He didn't really mean what He said here. They say He spoke a careless word right after He spoke about not speaking careless words. He spent three days and three nights in the center of the earth — not just one and a half days. He spent three full days and nights in agony there. Acts 2:24 — He did that in our place so that we never ever would have to go into death. Our Father loved us more than He loved His own Son (Jn 3:16). He made a sacrifice in order to get something that He loved and wanted more, many sons.

¹ Yoneq was brought up in certain denominations and they all said what the footnote says about this verse.

We have to know that our Master really meant what He said (Lk 14:33).

Mt 11:19 — “But wisdom is justified by her children” (NKJV).

Our words have to profit others. The Greek says, “whoever speaks any unprofitable words.” We have to give an account for that. Unprofitable words came from something worthless in us. If we all speak profitable words we will be one (Jn 17:21-23). Only worthlessness, that comes out of our mouth and what is unprofitable, destroys. Our words can be a raging fire and destroy much as it says in James. It would be better that our words be non-productive than counter-productive. Pr 6:19 — People who speak counter-productive words that divide are abominable to God. It would be better to be non-productive than counter-productive.

Mt 12:30 — We are one with Him. We've come out of the world. He has put a heart into us that can be easily persuaded by His Spirit.

If we are thoughtless we don't know what our words can do. We are supposed to not speak even one unkind word. If we do, we have to quickly make amends. We need to make sure that we are speaking only His words (1 Pet 4:11). That is fitting for the sons of God.

Haggai: Faith comes from hearing. You can build or tear down, save or destroy with what you speak. We have to speak faith.

A mother and father are justified by their children, you could say. A good man, out of the good treasure of his heart, brings forth good things.