

- I hate my life
- I hate my body
- I want to harm myself
- I'm a mess

## Prayer For Deliverance:

Father, I come to your throne and ask You for Your mercy and grace. God, I thank you for showing me how a simple word I speak, brings such un-needed grief and sorrow to my life. God I am asking you to expose my heart and clean my heart. In the days, months and years to come, I ask in Jesus name that You quicken my spirit when my words are spoken against others and myself. LORD, I forgive all others who have spoken against me and repent of all of the judgments, I have made! Father, I receive your love and forgiveness bought for me by the blood of Jesus and the finished works of the cross. Amen

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### Life and Death Are In The Power Of The Tongue

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## The Power Of The Tongue

**In 1801, William Henry Harrison** became governor of the Indiana Territory. His prime task was to obtain title to Indian Lands so settlers could press forward into the wilderness. At the same time he was breaking a treaty that was made in 1795 with the Indians. Enraged, the Shawnee Chief Tecumseh and his brother Tenskwatawa (the Prophet) established a village on the Tippecanoe River to unite many tribes into an organized defense, to defend their lands against the growing number of settlers. The white settlers became alarmed and asked for protection. In 1811 Governor Harrison arrived with a force of 1000 men. While Tecumseh was on a recruiting mission against Chief's orders, the Prophet attacked Harrison's regiment. Although the Indians fought fiercely, the governor's superior force decimated them and destroyed the Tippecanoe Village. When Tecumseh returned and found all his plans in

disarray, furious at his brother the prophet, he asked him to leave and live somewhere else or he would kill him. The prophet left in disgrace. Two years later Tecumseh was killed in battle. Later, as William Henry Harrison was running for president the Prophet said, "Harrison will not win this term, to be the great chief, but the next term, he will die in office. I who caused the sun to darken and red men to give up firewater tell you, Harrison will die and after him every great chief (president) chosen every 20 years thereafter will die in his office and when each dies, let everyone remember the death of our people". Harrison was unsuccessful in 1836, but in 1840 became president. Just one month into his presidency, he died.

**In *Deuteronomy 27:17* "Cursed is he who moves his neighbor's boundary mark"** and for 140 years, what the Prophet said came to pass!

1. 1840, William Henry Harrison, died April 6, 1841 of pneumonia
2. 1860, Abraham Lincoln, assassinated April 14, 1865
3. 1880, James Abram Garfield, assassinated July 2, 1881
4. 1900, William McKinley, assassinated September 6, 1901
5. 1920, Warren Gamaliel Harding, died August 2, 1923 from food poisoning
6. 1940, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, died April 12, 1945, stroke
7. 1960, John Fitzgerald Kennedy,

assassinated November 22, 1963  
8. 1980, Ronald Wilson Reagan (SURVIVED), assassination attempt on March 30, 1981

**At a major conference in November 1980;** there was a man present, who was a direct descendent of both President Harrison and Shawnee lineage. This brother stood, publicly acknowledged, and asked forgiveness for the "sins of his fathers". Church Leaders, and all attending, expressed repentance over our nation's "root sins" rebelliousness, violence and witchcraft. (*1Samuel 15:23*) There was a time of governmental prayer to break the curses, and of corporate intercession, to ask for the protection of the then President-elect Reagan.

***Proverbs 18:21* says "Death and life are in the power of the tongue and those who love it will eat its fruits."**

The tongue is powerful. When we speak words, words are like arrows and they can find their mark in the positive or in the negative and once you shoot the arrow, you can't take it back, unless you repent.

**A good friend of mine** told me about an elderly gentleman who had his tractor flip over on him, but he escaped serious injury. Couple of years later, in the spring the

same man had his tractor stuck and his 50-year-old daughter came to his aid and said, "Dad, please be careful out here." Man replied, "Little girl, with his finger pointing at the ground, I love this land, and if I die here, I will die doing what I love". Next day they found him and the tractor had flipped on him. He died at almost the exact place, where he had pointed his finger, the day before.

***Proverbs 13:3 "He who guards his mouth preserves his life But he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction."***

**Once I was talking to a lady** about this very thing. She remembered that her father has always said he wanted to live long enough to marry his children off. Two weeks after the youngest girl was married, her father passed away.

**Another lady I go to church with** had a brother who his whole life said, "I will never live to see 40, it is a proven fact in our family history". He died at age 38.

**Do you speak death on yourself?** Can you see that there is power in the tongue, just as God's word says? People are snared by the words of their mouth.

**We were ministering** to a lady who had pain in her legs and we begin to pray and the Holy Spirit spoke and prompted me to ask her if she ever spoke against her legs? She thought about it and said, "Well, I hate my legs, and they're ugly". She had spoken

against her legs and when she repented the pain stopped.

**My son was taking a series** of tests for computer certification. He would study hard and burn the midnight oil, so to speak. He had a trial test he could take on his computer and each time would score high on his knowledge of the subject. When he went to the testing center and paid the \$100.00 to take the test, he would fail it each time. He told me one day, "Dad, I know the material, but when I take the test, something happens to me and I can't think at the testing center!" I remembered when he was in high school he would say, "I HATE SCHOOL" and "I HATE TESTS"! I got him to repent of his words and we prayed. After that he ACED each test and got his degree in network engineering.

**A man I know is 62 years old.** He told me when he was six years old his father who was a plumber and an angry man, took him out on a job. The father asked him to hand him a plumbing fitting. He said, out of fear of his father, he reached in the bucket of parts, and handed his father the first thing that touched his hand, and it was the wrong part. His father exploded and called him stupid. The man told me, **"Those words have followed me all my life!"**

***Matthew 12:36 "But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give an account of it in the Day of Judgment."***

**A lady I knew was riding** with her husband and her two boys and said, "I HATE THIS CAR! I WISH I WOULD TOTAL IT!" Seconds later as they went through an intersection, someone ran a red light and crashed into their car! No one was injured in the accident, thank God! It could have cost her dearly!

**With these Testimonies that you have just read; has The LORD exposed your heart?**

**Go over this list and put an [x] by the ones you have spoken and you may add to the list:**

- I can't
- I hate my feet
- I hate my nose
- I hate my ears
- Over my dead body
- Runs in the family, I suppose I'm next
- I wish I was dead
- I will die doing what I love
- Driving me insane
- I am sick and tired
- This really burns me up
- I hate my menstrual cycle (monthly curse)
- I hate these spots on my skin
- My hair never does right

- I will never be like him/her; my parents
- I will never be hurt again
- You will have this pain all your life
- I dread work
- I hate school
- I hate tests
- I just don't measure up and I don't even like myself
- This person will never change; their whole family is the same way
- If I ever give up control I will get hurt again
- I know other people have had victory in this area, but it won't work for me
- I have crossed a line and gone too far; God won't forgive me
- If I opened my heart even to close friends, they would reject me
- (After an angry outburst) "That is just the way I am!"
- God helped me in the past, but He won't do it again
- Prayer will work for them, but not for me
- I'm stupid
- No good deed goes unpunished