

Seasoned With Salt

Colossians 4:2-6

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- We hear offensive speech all the time from those outside the Lord
 - At work
 - At school
 - On the TV
- Proverbs 17:4-5 – “An evildoer listens to wicked lips”

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- When we hear this speech from our brethren, we must be even more concerned
 - Worldly language
 - Crude “jokes”
 - Euphemisms
- Colossians 4:2-6 – “Let your speech always be gracious”

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Worldly Language

- Are we being influenced by those in our peer group?
 - Saw the “F” word come up on a member’s Facebook page.
 - We must be aware of the influence this type of speech can have on us.
 - I Corinthians 15:33 – “Do not be deceived: ‘Bad company ruins good morals.’”

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Crude “Jokes”

- Some stories are just not worth telling
 - Ephesians 4:29-30 – “Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.”

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Euphemisms

- From the Greek words *eu* = “good” and *pheme* = “to speak”
- Merriam-Webster Dictionary
 - “the substitution of an agreeable or inoffensive expression for one that may offend or suggest something unpleasant”
- Are we substituting “agreeable” words for offensive ones?

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- We are to be a people set aside from the world
 - John 15:18-19 – “you are not of the world”
 - I Peter 2:9 – “But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession”

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- We are to be a people set aside from the world
 - I Peter 1:13-19 – “You shall be holy, for I am holy”

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“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”

- Hear the Word of God
 - Romans 10:8 – “But what does it say? ‘The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim)”
- Believe that Jesus is the Savior
 - Romans 10:11 – “For the Scripture says, ‘Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.’”

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“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”

- Repent of your sins
 - Acts 3:19 – “Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out”
- Confess that Jesus is the Son of God
 - I John 4:15 – “Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.”

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“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”

- Be immersed in water
 - Acts 2:38 – “And Peter said to them, ‘Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’”

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“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”

- Remain faithful
 - Hebrews 3:12-14 – “Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called ‘today,’ that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.”

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