

Adventure Club

A weekly lesson for children, young people, parents and grandparents, from the GCI Watford Church.
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Speech (Part 1)

Quotes from a few Famous Speeches

'I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat.'

Winston Churchill, London, 13th May 1940

'This was their finest hour.'

Winston Churchill, London, 18th June 1940

Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few.'

Winston Churchill, London, 20th August 1940

'Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country.'

John F. Kennedy, Washington, 20th January 1961

'I have a dream.'

Martin Luther King, Washington, 28th August 1963

'Mr Gorbachev, tear down this wall.'

Ronald Reagan, Berlin, 12th June 1987

'Free at last.'

2nd May, Nelson Mandela, Johannesburg, 2nd May 1994



Winston Churchill



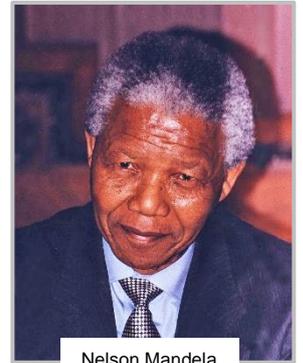
John F. Kennedy



Martin Luther King



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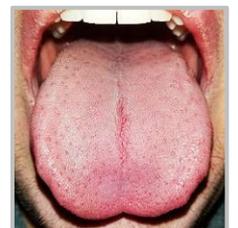
'Your Tongue'

'All of us do many wrong things. But if you can control your tongue, you are mature and able to control your whole body. By putting a bit into the mouth of a horse, we can turn the horse in different directions. It takes strong winds to move a large sailing ship, but the captain uses only a small rudder to make it go in any direction. Our tongues are small too, and yet they brag about big things. It takes only a spark to start a forest fire! The tongue is like a spark. It is an evil power that dirties the rest of the body and sets a person's entire life on fire with flames that come from hell itself. All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles, and sea creatures can be tamed and have been tamed. But our tongues get out of control. They are restless and evil, and always spreading deadly poison. My dear friends, with our tongues we speak both praises and curses. We praise our Lord and Father, and we curse people who were created to be like God, and this isn't right. Can clean water and dirty water both flow from the same spring? Can a fig tree produce olives or a grapevine produce figs? Does fresh water come from a well full of salt water? Are any of you wise or sensible? Then show it by living right and by being humble and wise in everything you do.'

James 3:2-13, CEV

Tongue Twisters

Red leather yellow leather. . . . The sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick. . . . Red lorry, yellow lorry. In ertford, ereford and ampshire, urricans ardlly hever appen! (from *My Fair Lady*) Fresh Swiss fish. Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers. If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers, where is the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked? A big black bear bit a big black bug. She sells sea-shells on the sea-shore. The shells she sells are surely sea-shells! So if she sells sea-shells on the sea-shore, then I'm sure she sells sea-shore shells! Eleven benevolent elephants.



Quotes from a few Bible Speeches

'**Joshua** told the Israelites, "Come and listen to what the LORD your God says. Today you will know that the living God is among you. He will surely drive out the Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites, and Jebusites ahead of you. Look, the Ark of the Covenant, which belongs to the Lord of the whole earth, will lead you across the Jordan River! . . . The priests will carry the Ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth. As soon as their feet touch the water, the flow of water will be cut off upstream, and the river will stand up like a wall." '

Joshua 3:9-11, 13, *NLT*

John the Baptist 'said to the crowds coming out to be baptised by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. . . ." "What should we do then?" the crowd asked. John answered, "Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same." Even tax collectors came to be baptised. "Teacher," they asked, "what should we do?" "Don't collect any more than you are required to," he told them. Then some soldiers asked him, "And what should we do?" He replied, "Don't extort money and don't accuse people falsely — be content with your pay." The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. John answered them all, "I baptise you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." And with many other words John exhorted the people and proclaimed the good news to them.'

Luke 3:7-8, 10-18, *NIV*

'**Peter** stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 'In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people.' " . . . "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah."

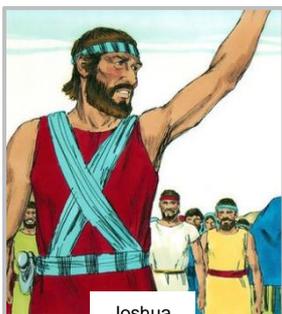
Acts 2:14-17, 36, *NIV*

'After they had become silent, **James** answered, saying, "Men and brethren, listen to me: Simon has declared how God at the first visited the Gentiles to take out of them a people for His name. And with this the words of the prophets agree." '

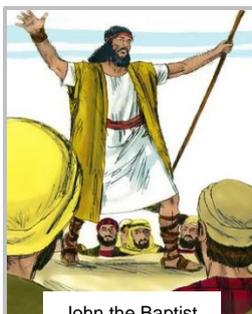
Acts 15:13-15, *NKJV*, The Jerusalem Council

'**Paul**, standing in the centre of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I observe [with every turn I make throughout the city] that you are very religious and devout in all respects. Now as I was going along and carefully looking at your objects of worship, I came to an altar with this inscription: 'TO AN UNKNOWN GOD.' Therefore what you already worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who created the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands; nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, because it is He who gives to all [people] life and breath and all things. And He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their lands and territories. This was so that they would seek God, if perhaps they might grasp for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us. For in Him we live and move and exist [that is, in Him we actually have our being], as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we also are His children.' So then, being God's children, we should not think that the Divine Nature (deity) is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination or skill of man. Therefore God overlooked and disregarded the former ages of ignorance; but now He commands all people everywhere to repent [that is, to change their old way of thinking, to regret their past sins, and to seek God's purpose for their lives], because He has set a day when He will judge the inhabited world in righteousness by a Man whom He has appointed and destined for that task, and He has provided credible proof to everyone by raising Him from the dead."

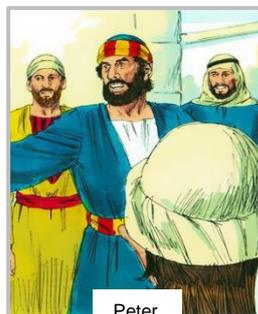
Acts 17:22-31, *Amp.*



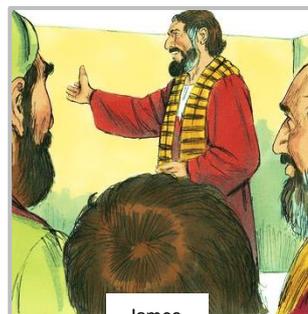
Joshua



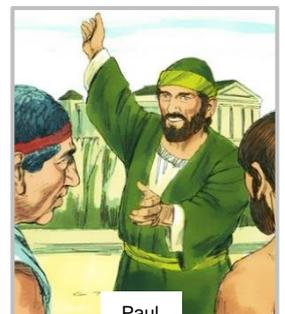
John the Baptist



Peter



James



Paul

Speech with Others

‘Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.’

Ephesians 4:29, *NIV*

‘Let every word you speak be drenched with grace and tempered with truth and clarity. For then you will be prepared to give a respectful answer to anyone who asks about your faith.’

Colossians 4:6, *TPT*

‘Therefore encourage one another and build each other up.’

1 Thessalonians 5:11, *NIV*

‘Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech.’

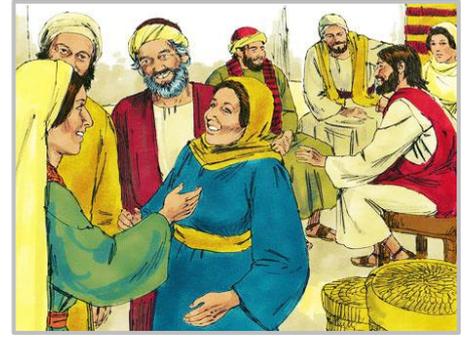
1 Tim. 4:12, *NIV*

‘In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned, so that those who oppose you may be ashamed because they have nothing bad to say about us.’

Titus 2:7-8, *NIV*

‘Always be ready to tell everyone who asks you why you believe as you do. Be gentle as you speak and show respect.’

1 Peter 3:15, *NLV*



Speech with Ourselves

‘May the speech from my mouth and the thoughts in my heart be pleasing to you, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.’

Psalms 19:14, *EHV*

‘Above all, be careful what you think because your thoughts control your life.’

Proverbs 4:23, *ERV*

‘Lovers of God think before they speak.’

Proverbs 15:28, *TPT*

‘We take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.’

2 Corinthians 10:5, *NIV*

‘Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.’

Philippians 4:8, *NIV*

‘Fix your thoughts on Jesus.’

Hebrews 3:1, *NIV*

‘This is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking.’

2 Peter 3:1, *NIV*



Speech with God

‘In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.’

Matthew 6:9-13, *NKJV*

Speech in Proverbs

‘The words of good people are like a spring of fresh water.’

Proverbs 10:11, *ERV*

‘Don’t talk so much. You keep putting your foot in your mouth. Be sensible and turn off the flow!’

Proverbs 10:19, *TLB*

‘Gossip can be sharp like a sword, but the tongue of the wise heals.’

Proverbs 12:18, *NEB*

‘A soft answer turns away anger, but a sharp word makes tempers hot.’

Proverbs 15:1, *NEB*

‘Wise people use knowledge when they speak.’

Proverbs 15:2, *ICB*

‘Kind words are like a life-giving tree.’

Proverbs 15:4, *ERV*

‘Pleasant words are like a honeycomb. They make a person happy and healthy.’

Proverbs 16:24, *ICB*

‘Let people finish speaking before you try to answer them. That way you will not embarrass yourself.’

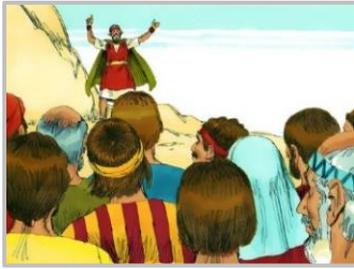
Proverbs 18:13, *ERV*

‘An honest answer is like a kiss on the lips.’

Proverbs 24:26, *NIV*

‘A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.’

Proverbs 25:11, *NKJV*



10 'Speeches That Moses Made'

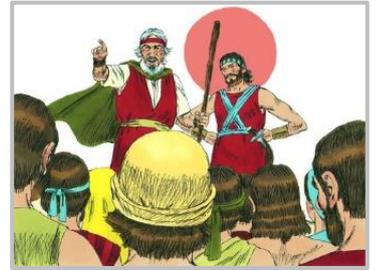
'This book contains the speeches that Moses made while Israel was in the land of Moab.'

Deuteronomy 1:1, CEV

First Speech

'You have dwelt long enough at this mountain. Turn and take your journey, and go.'

Deut. 1:6-7, NKJV. Whole speech: 1:6 – 4:40



Second Speech

'Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your hearing today, that you may learn them and be careful to observe them.'

Deut. 5:1, NKJV. Whole speech: 5:1 – 10:5

Third Speech

'Arise, begin your journey before the people, that they may go in and possess the land.'

Deut. 10:11, NKJV. Whole speech: 10:10 – 12:32

Fourth Speech

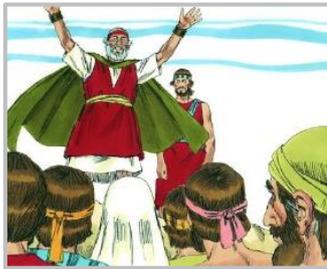
'If there arises among you a prophet or a dreamer of dreams.'

Deut. 13:1, NKJV. Whole speech: 13:1 -26:19

Fifth Speech

'Keep all the commandments which I command you today.'

Deut. 27:1, NKJV. Whole speech: 27:1 – 28:68



Sixth Speech

'You have seen all that the LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt.'

Deut. 29:2, NKJV. Whole speech: 29:2 – 30:20

Seventh Speech

'I am one hundred and twenty years old today. I can no longer go out and come in. Also the LORD has said to me, "You shall not cross over this Jordan."'

Deut. 31:2, NKJV. Whole speech: 31:2 – 31:6



Eighth Speech

'Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak; And hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. Let my teaching drop as the rain, My speech distil as the dew, As raindrops on the tender herb, And as showers on the grass. For I proclaim the name of the LORD: Ascribe greatness to our God. He is the Rock, His work is perfect; For all His ways are justice, A God of truth and without injustice; Righteous and upright is He.'

Deut. 32:1-4, NKJV. Whole speech: 32:1 – 32:43

Ninth Speech

'Set your hearts on all the words which I testify among you today, which you shall command your children to be careful to observe.'

Deut. 32:46, NKJV, Whole speech: 32:44 – 32:47

Tenth Speech

'The Lord came from Mount Sinai. He rose like the sun from Edom.'

Deut. 33:2, ICB, Whole speech: 33:2-29

Some Voice Records

'Annalisa Wray (UK) achieved a shout of 121.7 dBA, shouting the word "quiet", at the Citybus Challenge, Belfast, Co. Antrim, Northern Ireland, UK, on 16th April 1994.' (guinnessworldrecords.com.)

'The normal intelligible outdoor range of the male human voice in still air is 180 m (590 ft, 6.6 in). The *silbo*, the whistled language of the Spanish-speaking inhabitants of the Canary Island of La Gomera, is intelligible under ideal conditions at 8 km (5 miles). There is a recorded case, under optimal acoustic conditions, of the human voice being detectable at a distance of 17 km (10.5 miles) across still water at night.' (guinnessworldrecords.com.)

'Sean Shannon (Canada) recited Hamlet's soliloquy "To be or not to be" (260 words) in a time of 23.8 seconds (655 words per minute) at Edinburgh on 30th August 1995.' (guinnessworldrecords.com.)

'The longest speech marathon is 90 hr and 2 min, achieved by Ananta Ram KC (Nepal) in Kathmandu, Nepal from 27th to 31st August 2018.' (guinnessworldrecords.com.)

Charles Spurgeon's largest congregation was at Crystal Palace in London on 7th October 1857; records indicate about 23,654 people came to hear him! This was before the microphone had been invented!



Charles Spurgeon

The Milkman's Gift

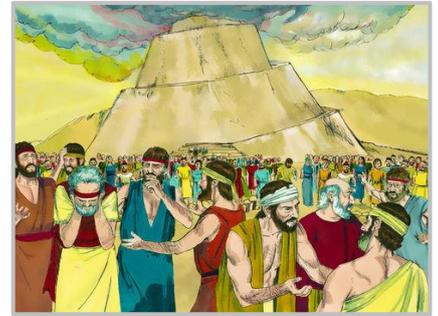
When Cheryl Prewitt was four years old, she hung around her father's small country grocery shop. Almost daily, the milkman would come into the shop and greet her with the words: "How's my little Miss America?" At first, she giggled, but eventually she became comfortable with it . . . and even liked it a little. Soon the milkman's greeting became a childhood fantasy . . . then a teenage dream. Finally, it became a goal . . . and in 1980, she stood on a stage in Atlantic City and was crowned . . . Miss America.

Lesson: Positive words encourage.



'One Language and One Speech'

'Now the whole earth had one language and one speech. And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they dwelt there. Then they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They had brick for stone, and they had asphalt for mortar. And they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth."



But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of men had built. And the LORD said, "Indeed the people are one and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do; now nothing that they propose to do will be withheld from them. Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech." So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they ceased building the city. Therefore its name is called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.'

Genesis 11:1-9, NKJV



See if you can memorize some, or all, of these words:
 'Pleasant words are like a honeycomb. They make a person happy and healthy.' Proverbs 16:24, ICB

Word Search

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