

**Relationship tip for men: Tighten the lids on** all jars in the house. She'll have to speak to you eventually.







"I don't want to worry you, but the guy who delivered the pizza was your financial planner."

Fuel prices are so high that I went to the car dealership and test drove 3 cars to run my errands. Follow me for more money saving tips



## The Maroochydore Herald

Maroochydore Uniting Church



**UnitinginChrist** actingwithlove livingwithhope witnessinginfaith workingforjustice **Third Sunday of Easter** 14th April 2024

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# Third Sunday of Easter 14th April

Acts 3:12-19 Psalm 4 1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36b -48

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

21st April Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:16-24

1 John 3:16-24 John 10: 11 -18

## Sunday 14th April

-8:30 am Rev Darren King

### Sunday 21st April

-8:30 am James McKenna

## Please join with us for morning tea after the service

#### My Mouth Has a Mind of Its Own! - by Joyce Meyer

What if I told you that the source of most of your problems could be found within you—from the neck up? You'll find it in the thoughts that come from your mind and the words that come out of your mouth.

We must realize and understand the power carried by our thoughts and words. They're so powerful that they can bring either blessings or curses into our lives, depending on their nature. Our thoughts and words are like the rudder of a ship—they may seem small, but they affect the very direction of our lives.

#### Getting Rid of Negative Thinking Isn't Enough

Many years ago, my life was in a state of chaos because of years of wrong thinking and speaking. I had encountered so many disappointments because of all the devastating things that had happened to me. I was afraid to believe that anything good might happen. In fact, my philosophy of life was, "If you keep your expectations low, you'll never be disappointed."

Over the years I became very cynical and negative. I often said that if I had two positive thoughts in a row, my mind would've gotten a cramp. My thoughts were negative, which caused my words to be negative...which all reflected poorly on my life. Finally, I decided to change my ways and stop talking so negatively. But after a

while, I realized that I needed to do more than just avoid negativity. Cutting out the negative wasn't enough; I had to begin to think and talk positively!

You see, when we react negatively, we allow fear to take over our thinking. We begin to dwell on things that haven't even happened and may not happen. Our negative thoughts cause us to speak the words that'll shape our future.

For example, a person sneezes and says, "Oh, I'm probably getting the flu." Or someone hears a rumor that the company he works for is going to lay off some employees, so he thinks, That's the story of my life. In both cases, the person has accepted the worst outcome; they've lost the battle before it even started.

These types of negative statements seem to come so naturally to all of us. So if we want to see victory in our lives, we need to discipline ourselves to be more positive—but it's not so easy!

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#### Choose Better Thoughts, Reap a Better Life

We're constantly tempted to think wrong thoughts, but we don't have to accept them! We have a choice! We need to purposely choose right thinking and speaking. In the Bible, <u>Proverbs 18:21</u> says, Death and life are in the power of the tongue... We must choose life-generating thoughts. When we do, positive, powerful, life-giving words will naturally follow. I think some people try to control their mouths but do nothing about their thoughts. That's like pulling off the top of a weed—unless the root is dug up, the weed always comes back. You'll never control your mouth unless you first learn to control your mind.

Believing is the first important step to switching our thinking from being negative to positive. Remember, what's in our hearts and minds will come out of our mouths. If our soul (mind, will and emotions) is full of negative things, we'll find those things coming our way. On the other hand, when we think and talk about God, the Truth and more positive things, we'll find that those good things will come our way. The choice is ours!

#### Joyce meyer