

GOOD MORNING/INVOCATION – Bobby & Hannah

BS: This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Hello. (AUDIENCE – Hello)

HS: Welcome friends and welcome church family. It always feels good to be with you. Thank you for being here. God's love creates value. And what God loves, He will die for, and that is you. That is you, my friend. You are valuable and you are so loved.

BS: What we're doing here today and every Sunday is so important. We are gathering in God's presence to lift up the name of Jesus. It's not just a rhythm. It's not just a small, unimportant thing. It's a big deal. And it doesn't just impact God, it impacts the world around us. It impacts the city of Irvine. And as we're doing this, we're receiving from the Holy Spirit the power to be Jesus kind of people.

And so let's not enter into this time of worship lightly, but let's do it full of expectation and faith, ready to do what God called us to do, amen? (AUDIENCE – amen)

All right, let's pray. Father, we come to you in the strong and powerful name of Jesus. The name above every name, the name above every label, the name above every bad report, the name above every disappointment. Victory. His name is victory. And we thank you, Jesus. We lift up your name. We don't walk in the natural today. We walk by faith, not by sight. We thank you, Lord that you're alive, that your resurrection power is here. We thank you for the Holy Spirit, and we pray to be led by that in Jesus name, amen.

HAVEN: Turn to the person next to you and say, God loves you, and so do I.

SCRIPTURE – Isaiah 6:1-8 – Hannah Schuller

Let's feed our faith this morning with Isaiah 6:1-8:

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: with two wings they covered their faces, and with two wings they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.

At the sound of their voices, the doorposts and thresholds shook, and the temple was filled with smoke. Woe to me! I cried. I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.

Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched my mouth and said, see, this has touched your lips. Your guilt is taken away and your sin is atoned for.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, whom shall I send? And who will go for us? And I said, here I am. Send me!

Thank you, Lord.

DECLARATION – Bobby Schuller

Would you stand with us? We're going to say this creed together. I'm going to ask that you hold your hands out, because what we're about to receive is a gift from the Holy Spirit. And I'm going to ask you to remind yourself that this is because of what Christ did for us on the cross that we truly are; we've become a new creation, children of God.

Let's say this together: I'm not what I do. I'm not what I have. I am not what people say about me. I am the beloved of God. It's who I am. No one can take it from me. I don't have to worry, I don't have to hurry, I can trust my friend Jesus and share His love with my neighbor. Amen!

MESSAGE/PRAYER – Bobby Schuller "New Words for a New Calling"

I want to encourage you today, if you're watching on YouTube or on television, it is important that we prepare our hearts for the Word of God. There are four kinds of hearts that receive, and we want to be good soil. Is that right?

I want to encourage you to listen to the Word today and to gobble it up, to take it in. If you're watching on YouTube, I want to encourage you to listen to the end of the sermon. And maybe if you're driving somewhere and it has to get cut off, text the sermon to yourself or share it to yourself so you can go back to it. It's important that we have a desire to be fed by the Word of God, and the Word of God is about to be preached. Let's get ready. Amen?

Everything in your life can change if you understand the power of the spoken word. Everything in your life can change if you understand the power of YOUR; YOUR; your spoken word. People say, I want a new life. They say it in their hearts. I want a new job. I want a new income. I want a new perspective. I want a new dream. I want new friends. I want a new outlook. I want new health. What do you need? You need new words. Amen. And this is the third week we're talking about this. I just feel like the Holy Spirit will not let me leave the subject, and I think it's because the more I dig on this, the more I see how critical it is for the life of a believer. Amen?

You want a new life? Get new words. I think that the enemy, that is Satan, has convinced the world today that the words I say just aren't that big of a deal. I mean, the bad ones are, but the idle words, the empty words, the silly words, those are not that important. There's just like, yeah, Holy Spirit words, there's evil words, and then there's these just kind of idle, empty, middle of the road words that really don't matter that much, and those don't count on either side of the ledger. Is that true?

Let's look at the scripture. Let's see what Jesus says. Open your Bibles to Matthew, chapter 12. Matthew 12 verse 36. Matthew 12:36, "But I tell you.." so Jesus just finishes talking about the words of the Pharisees, and He talks about how from out of the heart the mouth speaks, and then He says this: "But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every" what? (AUDIENCE – word) "Empty word." King James says, idle words. Empty or idle word. You're going to have to "give account for every empty word, every idle word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned." Are idle words a big deal? (AUDIENCE – yes) Are empty words a big deal? (AUDIENCE – yes) Can the enemy use your empty words against you? (AUDIENCE – yes) Will he use these empty words against you? (AUDIENCE – yes)

How does the expression go? Anything you say can and will be used against you. Is that right? Anything you say can and will be used against you. The Lord has said to us as believers, you can have what you say. And a lot of us are getting exactly what we've been saying. Some of us are getting the good fruit from that, some of us are getting weeds and thistles. Who's ready to change your words today and change your future? So am I. Amen. In Matthew, verse 17, verse 20, the disciples have been sent out with power and authority to cast out demons and to heal the sick, but there's one boy they cannot heal. They cannot remove this demon from this boy, no matter how much they speak and say and talk to this guy. And they come back to Jesus and Jesus heals him, and he says, why couldn't we heal the boy? And Jesus just plainly says, because you have so little faith.

Now it's important that we see there's that word "little" there, that if you can have little faith, you can have a lot of faith. If you can have this much faith, you can have that much faith. Is that right? And then He says to them this key phrase: "Because you have so little faith, if you only had the faith of a mustard seed, you would say to this mountain be moved from here and cast over there." But look at this. I've cut that bit out so you see what it says: "If you had the faith of a mustard seed, you would **say**," not think, not feel. If you had the faith of a mustard seed, you would (AUDIENCE – say) say, say.

In Matthew, verse 6; Matthew, chapter 6, rather, where the Lord commands us not to worry. It's not a suggestion. It's because He loves us. He commands us not to worry. And what does He say? He says, "therefore, do not worry, saying, what shall we eat? What shall we drink? What shall we wear?" But let's see this again. It says,

"Do not worry saying." Do not worry, saying." He's not saying don't feel worried. He's saying, if you feel worried, don't say it. Say something else and you get the worry out of your life. Worry kills. Worry is the opposite of faith. Speaking worry is planting seeds of destruction. Planting words of faith is casting forth a future, a victory. Hallelujah.

(AUDIENCE – hallelujah)

Mark 11 says, "If anyone says to this mountain," if anyone says to this mountain. Not begs the mountain, not talks about the mountain, not needs the mountain to move, but if someone says to the mountain. Christians today don't talk to mountains. They don't rebuke fevers. They don't talk to disease. They don't talk to the unclean spirits that condemn us and rob us and haunt us and bother us. They don't speak to their depression. They don't speak to their worry. They don't speak to their need. They don't speak to their bank account. They don't speak to their car. They don't speak to their future. They beg. They worry. They need. But they never do what the Lord, the Master, taught us to do - speak.

(AUDIENCE – amen) Amen? If you had faith, if you had faith of a mustard seed, you would

(AUDIENCE – speak) speak to the mountain. Move! Now! Amen. (AUDIENCE – amen)

Just say the word. That's what the centurion says to Jesus. Just what? (AUDIENCE – say the word) Say the word and my servant will be healed. He doesn't need to see you. You don't need to touch Him. He doesn't need to visit you. All I need you to do is what?

(AUDIENCE – say) Say the word. And what does Jesus say? "No greater faith in all of Israel than this." Just say the word. Some of you are catching this. Sometimes it takes three sermons. Just say the word.

When your words are in alignment and in agreement with God, you'll sow victory. You'll sow victory. You want to sow a dream? Speak the dream. Write the dream down. Write it down every day. Share it with people that might be able to help you. You need healing? Speak the healing. Sow the healing. You want to sow healing? Speak healing. You want deliverance from your addiction, from whatever weight you've been carrying since you were a kid? You're an adult now, you think you'll always have it? Do not say that aloud. Anything you say can and will be used against you. What do you say? You want to sow healing? You want to sow deliverance? You want to sow freedom? You want to sow victory? Say. Say the word. Say the word and it will be done for you. Just say the word and it will be done for you. Who believes this morning?

Say what God says, not what you see in the natural. You say what God says. Say God's script, not your script. It's not about you. It's about the Lord and His kingdom. In the same way that I want to save my son when he's running towards a pit, God wants to save you. Don't get mad at him. Say what He says. Do what He wants. God rewards obedience. When this church was built, this beautiful building. Isn't this a gorgeous sanctuary? The Lord just gave us this building. Do you remember that? We needed a building. We declared we would have a building. We got it for free. I think it's worth \$25 million dollars. Free. Somebody say, thank you, Lord. (AUDIENCE – thank you, Lord) Now this building was an idea from the congregation that invited us to merge with them, Irvine Presbyterian. And this church began in the building over there, the fellowship hall. I don't know what was here, but I imagine it was a shed or a plot of dirt or some trees or something, and a group of people over there in a session said, let's build a bigger church for our bigger congregation. And they had blueprints drawn up. Now, you notice, now that's words, right? They pointed here and said "church." They were over there and they pointed right here and they said church. They pointed - what, saying, church.

And then Mark Roberts, man of God, full of faith over there, held up some blueprints and said, this is our new church. Did anyone call him a liar? Did anybody say he was denying reality? Now, some faithless person might have stood up and said, that's not a church.

That's a piece of paper. That's not a church. That's just some words. Just look over there. There's no church. It's just dirt.

But what did Mark say? No, no, this is our church. Where are we now?

We are in Mark Roberts church. Amen? Thank you, Mark. This is what faith looks like because even when you hold up a sheet of paper, who knows you still got to raise some money. You still got to get some permits, which is not easy in Irvine, at all. Come on, Irvine.

Some of you need a new calling today. You want a new direction. You want a new life, but you've got the same words. Some of you need a new door. You need a new person in your life. You need a fresh idea, but you still got the same old words. You want something new today? It's time to get some new words. Some of you want a new subscriber on your YouTube account, please subscribe. You want something new? You want something new? Get new words.

I want to look especially about how words impact your calling. Every single person in this room, if you're alive and you're born of the Spirit, you have a calling on your life and it's important that we're led by the Spirit into that calling. It's a calling of victory.

If you have your Bibles, open up to Isaiah, chapter 6. Isaiah comes before Jeremiah, which is a big fat book, so just go before that. Isaiah, chapter 6. Bring your Bibles to church please, so you can write in them and keep notes. Isaiah, chapter 6, verse 1. Now this is an interesting passage and I've been trying to preach on this for a while now. And there is something weird about Isaiah, chapter 6. It seems to touch people in a deeper way than a lot of other passages. I know several men and women who were called into full time ministry from hearing one sermon or another on this chapter.

I want you to open up your heart to what the scripture is going to say to you in this scripture. It's not my words that have power, it's the word of God that has power. And I want to frame this. This is a story about Isaiah's calling. Isaiah is a prophet, but in this story before he's a prophet, he's just a normal blue collar, lunch pail, Jewish guy going to the temple. And remember when he's in the temple and this thing happens, there's a bunch of other people there, too. Thousands, probably. Thousands of other faithful Jewish people that are all there doing their religious stuff.

And what you'll see very quickly is even though he's doing all the religious stuff, and even though he's faithfully going to church and doing his thing, he doesn't know the Lord. He is far from God. He's outside of the kingdom and he's terrified when he realizes, oh, my gosh, this thing that I thought was a religious cultural hobby is real. What do I do now? All right.

Isaiah, chapter 6, verse 1. "In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne. And the train of his robe filled the whole temple. Above him were seraphim." The seraphim are the highest type of angels that guard the court, the throne room of God. "Above him were seraphim." These are scary beings "with six wings. With two wings, they covered their faces. With two, they covered their feet. And with two, they were flying. And they were calling to one another, to each other." The seraphim. In what we call the triple invocation. Holy, holy, holy. The reason they say this is its one holy for each person of the Trinity: Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.

Imagine you're in this temple, gigantic cloud, and the power of God and seraphim, and you hear this. What do you think holy, holy, holy sounded like? I mean, holy, holy. You think anybody was scared? "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty. The whole earth is full of his" Shekinah, "his glory. At the sound of their voices, the doorposts" was this loud? "The doorposts and the thresholds shook, and the temple was filled with smoke."

"Woe." Isaiah. "Woe is me." Do you think Isaiah was afraid? Why was he afraid? He's a wicked man. He's not a good person. He's religious. He goes to church. He attends regularly. His parents are Jewish. He's a good Jewish guy. Now, in God's presence, he realizes my ideas of goodness are trash. I am in trouble. I am in big, big trouble. "Woe, woe, woe is me. I am ruined." What does that mean? I'm going to die. We're all going to die. How come?

Listen to what comes out of his mouth. Now I think this is the conviction of the Holy Spirit. "I am a man of" what "unclean lips. And I live among a people of" what "unclean lips. And my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty." My least favorite translation. The Lord of angel armies. The Lord of angel armies. Power.

"Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal." What? "In his hand, which he'd taken from tongs from the altar." Well, that doesn't make sense. Why would he do that? So the seraphim went to the altar with tongs, took a coal, and then it was like (POP). So that's because of God's holiness. Even the seraphim, in respect, will not touch the altar, even though they could. How hot is a coal, you ask? About 3,000 to 4,000 degrees Fahrenheit. Is that hot? That's Palm Springs hot, all right.

The seraphim was holding this sizzling hot red coal. "With it he touched" what? Now notice, he doesn't touch his heart, he doesn't touch his mind, he doesn't touch his hands. He doesn't touch his feet. What does he touch? (AUDIENCE – lips) His mouth! His mouth! His mouth. He touches his.. yes, "he touched my mouth, and he said, see, this has touched your" what? (AUDIENCE – lips) Are you seeing something, church? "Your guilt is taken away, and your sin is atoned for." What needed to be changed, for his sins to be atoned for? A new mouth, a new lips.

Now what I believe actually happened is that 3,000 temperature coal melted those lips off and put on some new lips. And my guess is it hurt, but I don't know. Maybe God in His glory didn't make it hurt, I don't know. But who here believes Isaiah got some new lips? He had old lips. Those old lips died in fire, and he was given brand new lips. Somebody's looking at their husband saying, see, I need some new lips. No. No. New lips, new words. "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, whom shall I send and whom will go for us?" And he says, I mean there's thousands of people. So God's not asking Isaiah, will you go for us? He's asking everybody. And they're all like, right? Some people have passed out. Some people have run away. Some people are weeping. Isaiah's had the seraphim give him new lips. And he goes, here I am! Send me! Send me! Me! Whoa.

Are new words and new lips a big deal? (AUDIENCE – yes) Some of you are trying to say to the Lord, here I am, Lord. Send me, but you got your old lips on. What happened first, new lips or new calling? (AUDIENCE – new lips) First it was new lips, then what? Then a new calling. New lips, new calling. Not the other way around. New words, new mouth, new lips, new calling.

Declare with me: my lips are not my own (AUDIENCE – my lips are not my own). Forgive me, Lord, of my words (AUDIENCE – forgive me, Lord, of my words). No more idle words (AUDIENCE – no more idle words). Only the word of God (AUDIENCE – only the word of God). Words of victory (AUDIENCE – words of victory). My words are sanctified and powerful (AUDIENCE – my words are sanctified and powerful) in Jesus name (AUDIENCE – in Jesus name). Okay? The calling comes after the new lips. New lips first, then a new life.

Someone's saying in their heart, when God calls me, I'll change my words. When God calls me, I'll change my speech. That sounds like when God heals me, I'll have faith. Some of you said that in your heart. When God heals me, I'll have faith. No, sir, you have faith and then you're healed.

When God makes me rich, I'll give. No, sir. You give and then God provides. When things go well, then I'll be at peace. No, sir, you find the peace that passes understanding, and then things will start going well for you. Hey, is that right? (AUDIENCE – yes) You're not going to find peace in Hawaii. I'm just telling you, you're not going to find peace on your vacation. You find it now. You find it now. How do you find it? Your words. Some of you are getting it. In the Kingdom, my speech always changes before my circumstance. My speech always changes before my circumstance.

Okay, we'll finish with this. James, chapter three. "We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect." Is that true or false? (AUDIENCE – true)

That word perfect, too, doesn't just mean what you think it means. It's teleios. Awesome word. It means you're complete, you're made whole. It's similar to the word for peace, shalom, in Hebrew. It's like everything is right in your life. Okay.

"And they're able to keep their whole body in check. When we put bits in the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. Or take ships, as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they're steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants it to go." You can make your life go wherever you want it to go. If your life is a horse, you can make that horse go wherever you want it to go. Anywhere you want it to go. You do it with words.

Here's what the world says. The world says, where my life goes, my words go. I tell it like it is. Where my life goes, my words go. I say, what's happening. Where my life goes, my words go. I just express what I'm seeing. In other words, I walk by sight. Here's what a disciple who knows the Word says - where my words go, my life goes. You see how that's opposite? The world says, where my life goes, my words go. The believer says, where my words go, my life goes. I speak to mountains. I rebuke fevers. I speak over sickness. I speak over my business, my work.

As Brother Capps said, "You can say what you have or you can have what you say. I told my people they can have what they say, but they're saying what they have." Alright? Here's something that somebody says: we're going to lose everything. Scripture doesn't say that. Hey. Hello. Scripture doesn't say that. God did not say that. That's what you said. You're on your own script now. People say our kids are going to lose their faith. The Bible doesn't say that. The Lord doesn't say that. You're on your own script now.

I'll always be stuck. God didn't say that. The Bible did not say that. Why are you saying that? I'm depressed. I'm traumatized. I'm anxious. The Bible didn't say that! Stop agreeing with something that the Lord didn't say about you. Amen. (AUDIENCE – amen) Well, that's how I feel. Those are my feelings. What matters more, your feelings or the Word of God? (AUDIENCE – the Word of God) The Word of God will change your feelings.

Some of you, you want those feelings, actually. It's weird. Some of you, you have those negative feelings, but there's a part of you that it's like your friend. You need to hate those feelings. You need to hate them. You need to hate your addiction. You say, well, it's my friend, almost. God will not set you free from your friends. He sets you free from your enemies. I said, God will not set you free from your friends. He sets you free from your enemies. You need to hate it and speak something else over it. Amen?

"Life and death are in the power of the tongue," says Proverbs, verse 18. Life and death in Proverbs 18:21. Life and death are in the power of the (AUDIENCE – tongue). You need a new declaration. Write it down in your Bible. If you're watching on YouTube, write it down in the comments. I know that seems like why would I do that? Because other people need to see your confessions. Maybe if you're in the church, go and write it there so people can see confessions. They can steal it. Who here wants somebody to steal your positive confession? There's some good ones out there. And so you write it down. Maybe you just need one. Just write it down on a sheet of paper, on your phone, on a little pad and declare it over your life.

Say it until you really believe it. Say it until it gets in your soul. I shall not die, but live and declare the works of the Lord, says Psalms. He shall provide all my needs according to His riches and glory, says the scripture. By His stripes I am healed. He will deliver you! Amen. So remember that words are like investing. When you're speaking, it's like putting money into your 401k. Or it's like when you're negative words, it's like putting something on a credit card. What's your portfolio look like? So fill up with the Word.

And this last idea: keep studying the Word. I heard Pastor Vlad Savchuk say this, and this has absolutely been true in my life: "The less you read the Bible, the less you desire to read the Bible." The less you read it, the less you want to read it. And the harder it is to get back into it.

The less you pray, the less you want to pray, and the harder it is to get back into it. And so the opposite is also true. When you just sort of out of discipline agree to read, agreed to pray, agreed to go deeper, you find yourself desiring it more, desiring the Lord more because you see the fruit of that. And many of you who have lost your way, you remember what it was like to be there again, but you don't really feel like it. Guess where that feeling is coming from? It's coming from an unclean spirit. There's literally an unclean spirit between you and reading your Bible, and you and prayer.

Alright, that's enough of that. Who's ready to change your words today? (AUDIENCE – amen) Your words have authority. Stand with me. Let's lift our hands. Declare after me: I cancel every negative assignment that has come out of my mouth (AUDIENCE – I cancel every negative assignment that has come out of my mouth), going back to the very first word I've ever spoken until now (AUDIENCE – going back to the very first word I've ever spoken until now). I speak victory over my life (AUDIENCE – I speak victory over my life) and over my friends and family (AUDIENCE – and over my friends and family). I speak victory over my country (AUDIENCE – I speak victory over my country). I speak victory over my body (AUDIENCE – I speak victory over my body). I speak victory over my work (AUDIENCE – I speak victory over my work). I speak victory over my finances (AUDIENCE – I speak victory over my finances). And I speak victory over my sin (AUDIENCE – and I speak victory over my sin). It was achieved for me on the cross (AUDIENCE – it was achieved for me on the cross). Thank you, Jesus (AUDIENCE – thank you, Jesus). And it's in your name we pray (AUDIENCE – and it's in your name we pray), amen (AUDIENCE – amen).

BENEDICTION – Bobby Schuller

And now the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you His peace in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, amen.