Do the words we speak have any impact on what happens in our everyday lives?

What does the Bible say about our "Words"?

How does letting our words be governed by the Word of God literally impact our daily lives?

Do my words have an impact on what God can do in my life?

Does the will of God simply happen regardless of my involvement?

Hosea 4:6 - my people are destroyed from lack of knowledge.

Does the Bible teach that my words matter?

<u>Proverbs 6:2</u> – You are taken as in a net by *the* words of your mouth, the saying of your lips have overcome you.

<u>Proverbs 13:3</u> – Watch your mouth and you'll protect your life. A careless talker destroys himself.

- Proverbs 18:21 Of death and life, the tongue
 holds the key
- <u>Proverbs 21:23</u> —He who keeps watch over his mouth and his tongue preserves himself from disaster.
- Joshua 1:8 Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth, let it govern your every utterance; meditate on it or pore over it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then, you will be prosperous and deal wisely in the affairs of life and have good success.

How does this work in my everyday life?

Hebrews 11:3 - By faith we understand that the worlds were created by the word of God. This means that the things we see were made by something that cannot be seen.

Genesis 1:3,6,9,11,14,20,24:

- 3 And *God said*, "Let there be light," and there was light.
- 6 And *God said*, "Let there be an expanse between the waters to separate water from water."

- 9 And *God said*, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear."
- 11 Then *God said*, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so.
- 14 And *God said*, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark seasons and days and years,
- 20 And *God said*, "Let the water team with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the sky."
- 24 And *God said*, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so.

The "visible" is governed by the "invisible."

Every Word of God contains sufficient power to bring to pass what it has promised or declared!

The same Word of God that formed this world still governs this world, when it is found in our hearts and mouths.

We are trying to "Get God to do something," and God is telling us that the power to change the world is available at our discretion.

Romans 10:6-10 -

- 6 But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down)
- 7 "or 'Who will descend into the deep?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).
- 8 But what does it say? "The word is *near you*; it is in your *mouth* and in your *heart*," that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming:
- 9 That if you confess with *your mouth*, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in *your heart* that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.
- 10 For it is with **your heart** that you believe and are justified, and it is with **your mouth** that you confess and are saved.

Matt 12:34b-35 -

- 34b For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of [or out of the abundance of the heart the mouth will speak.]
- 35 A good man out of the **good treasure or deposits of his heart** brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the **evil treasure or deposits of his heart**, brings forth evil things.

Whatever goes into our hearts "In Abundance" will form the beliefs of our hearts and govern the words that we speak.

The words that we speak, that are governed by our hearts will determine our ability to "Be prosperous and deal wisely in the affairs of life and have good success."

- Josh 1:8