Speak To It!

Central Question:

What does it mean to "speak to it" in faith, and how do we practice this biblically in our battles today?

Key Scripture: Joshua 10:12–14

Suggested Additional Scriptures:

Joshua 6; Hebrews 11:1,6; Matthew 8:5–13 or Luke 7:1–10; Matthew 17:20 or Mark 11:23; James 5:16; Genesis 1–2; John 8:36; 1 John 4:4

I. Opening and Text Reading (approx. 00:00–00:03:08)

- Theme introduced: "Speak to it. Move!"
- Reading Joshua 10:12–14: Joshua commands the sun and moon; Scripture notes a
 day unlike any other when the Lord listened to the voice of a man
- Framing the issue: a world full of negativity contrasted with the power of Spirit-led words

II. Entering the Promised Land and Confronting Negativity (approx. 00:03:08–00:05:23)

- Context: Joshua and Israel step into Canaan
- The spies' reports: 10 negative vs. Joshua and Caleb's faith
- Application: overcoming defeatist labels (addiction, "you'll always be...")
- · Freedom in Christ: whom the Son sets free is free indeed

III. Jericho as a Precedent of Praise and Promise (approx. 00:05:23–00:07:42)

- Joshua's leadership posture: "Pack a lunch; God will give us the city"
- Promise of cities not built and harvests not planted

Praise shakes foundations; obedience and shout at Jericho

IV. The Five-King Alliance and God's Assurance (approx. 00:08:06–00:11:09)

- Five nations unite against Israel
- God's word to Joshua: Fear not; I have already given you the battle; not one enemy will remain
- Pastoral encouragement: God settles what we still stress over

V. Faith Rising: Speaking to Time Itself (approx. 00:11:09–00:16:10)

- Faith defined and stirred (Hebrews 11)
- Personal "mountain" illustration: believing God for provision to pay for the building and more
- Joshua sees time running short and commands the sun and the moon to stand still
- The miracle: the day extended; God honored the faith spoken

VI. Theology of Words, Authority, and Alignment (approx. 00:16:10–00:22:14)

- Key insight: God did not tell Joshua to say it; Joshua spoke it in faith aligned with God's promise
- The Lord listened to a man's voice; the uniqueness of that day
- Creation pattern: God spoke and it was; words carry weight under God's authority
- God forms humanity personally (Genesis 2), inviting partnership

VII. Great Faith in the New Testament (approx. 00:24:22–00:26:28)

• Rare commendation: "great faith" (Syrophoenician woman; centurion)

- Centurion's logic of authority: "Only say the word"
- Jesus marveled at faith that recognizes and trusts divine authority

VIII. Application: Move From Worrying and Only Praying to Speaking (approx. 00:26:28–00:34:12)

- Speak to fear, sickness, discouragement, and identity: declare who you are in Christ
- Not name-it-claim-it; it is aligning speech with God's revealed will and promise
- Practical confessions: rejecting fear, declaring healing and freedom in Christ's name
- Encouragement to the timid: you don't have to shout, but do speak in faith

IX. Illustrations Interwoven

- Childlike trust: "Pap can do it" (modeling how we trust our Father to act)
- · Words with authority: father's firm instruction at home
- Gratitude and perspective: choosing to see God's goodness in hardship
- Light moment: "What does a mouse say? Hickory dickory dock" (joy and the goodness of God in ordinary moments)

X. Closing Call and Invitation (approx. 00:31:14–00:37:02)

- Don't give up when it gets tough; extend the "day" until the victory is complete
- If God has promised "not one enemy will remain," keep speaking until the promise is fulfilled
- Final challenge: face your five-army battles and speak to them in Jesus' name

Practical Steps For Viewers

- 1. Identify the battle you are facing and name it specifically.
- 2. Find and write down at least one clear Scripture promise that addresses it.
- 3. Pray in submission to God's will, then speak directly to the issue in Jesus' name.
- 4. Persist daily; do not stop speaking until the "day" of victory is complete.

5. Praise God before, during, and after the breakthrough.

Key Takeaway

Faith-filled speech aligned with God's promises invites heaven's intervention. Like Joshua, speak to it until the Lord's word is fully accomplished.

For Further Reflection

- What specific "enemies" has God promised to defeat in your life?
- Where have you been worrying or only praying but not speaking in faith?
- What words will you begin speaking over your home, health, finances, and calling?
- How will you practice childlike trust as you speak and wait on God?

Scripture References For Study

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