

# “A Good Treasure Chest”

*Matthew 12:33-37 - July 23, 2017*  
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Jesus reminds us that what we say reveals what is in our hearts. What kinds of words come from your mouth? That is an indication of what is in your heart. You can't solve your heart problem, however, just by cleaning up your speech. You must allow the Holy Spirit to fill you with new attitudes and motives; then your speech will be cleansed at its source.

*1. The condition of the fruit we see, determines the identity of the tree. (vs. 33)*

You will reproduce according to your status.  
(Joy, Peace, Misery, Frustration)

(Genesis 1:22) (Genesis 9:1)

*2. Examine your veins to see if a viper has injected you. (vs. 34)*

Poison (Vipers)

The heart is a fountain. What flows from the heart could be an indication of venom flowing through the veins.

(Ezekiel 2:6)

*3. What comes out of your treasury reveals the details of your character. (vs. 35)*

The heart is the treasury –treasure chest.

The words are the treasures out of the treasury.

Your actions are influenced by your words which reveals your true character. (Proverbs 10:11) (Matthew 6:19-21)

*4. Remember that we have to give an account of what we speak. (vs. 36-37)*

1. Justified  
2. Condemned     **➔**     Speak the Word

The tongue (Proverbs 18:21)

Make It Good  
To the pure –all things are pure (Titus 1:15)  
(Romans 14:12)