



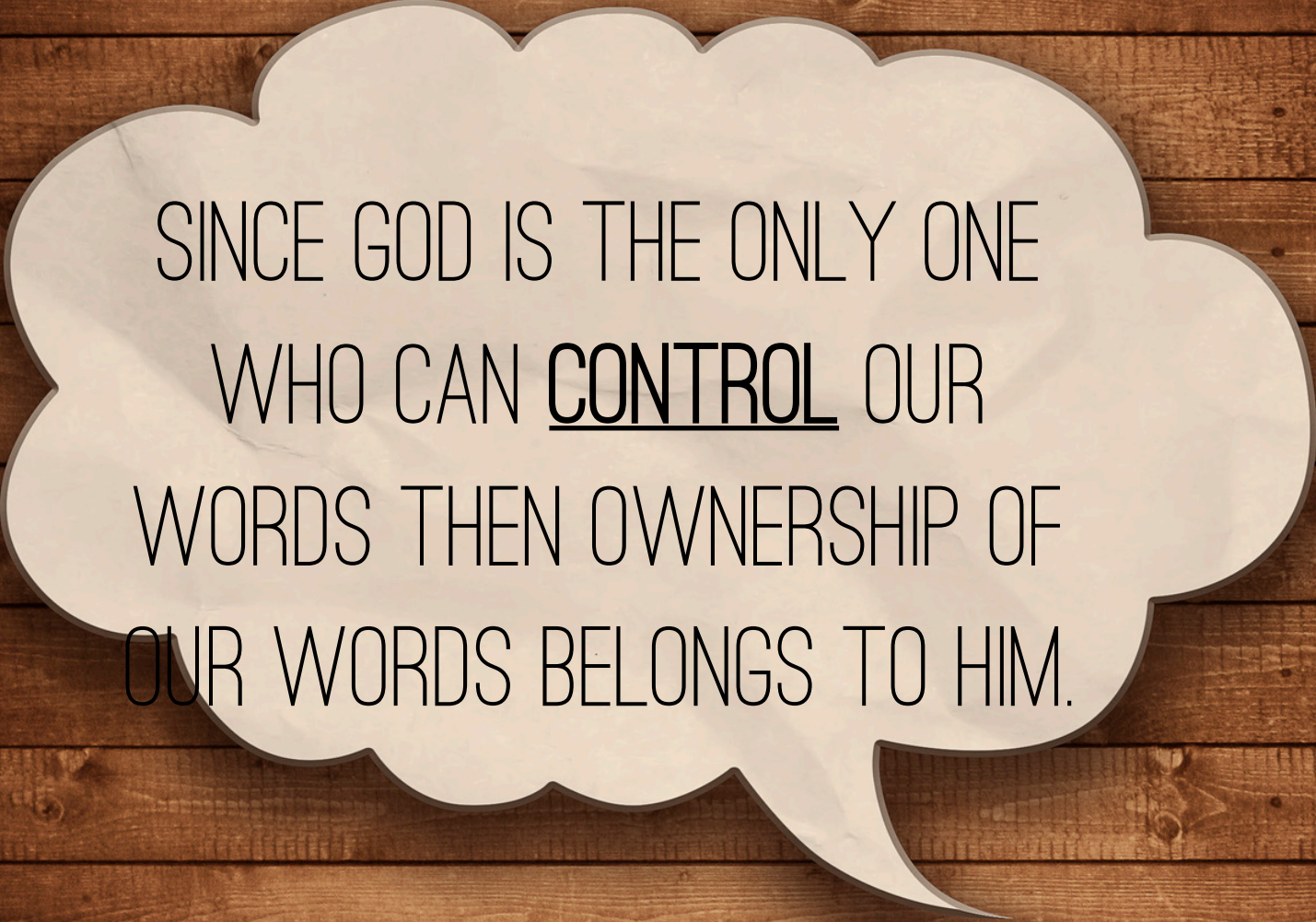


**GOD OWNS  
MY WORDS**

**STEWARDSHIP OF THE TONGUE**

## WHO OWNS OUR WORDS?

**SCRIPTURE ASSERTS THAT "NO HUMAN BEING CAN TAME THE TONGUE" (JAMES 3:7-8) BUT THAT GOD HAS THE POWER TO "SET A GUARD...OVER MY MOUTH" (PSALM 141:3).**



SINCE GOD IS THE ONLY ONE  
WHO CAN CONTROL OUR  
WORDS THEN OWNERSHIP OF  
OUR WORDS BELONGS TO HIM.

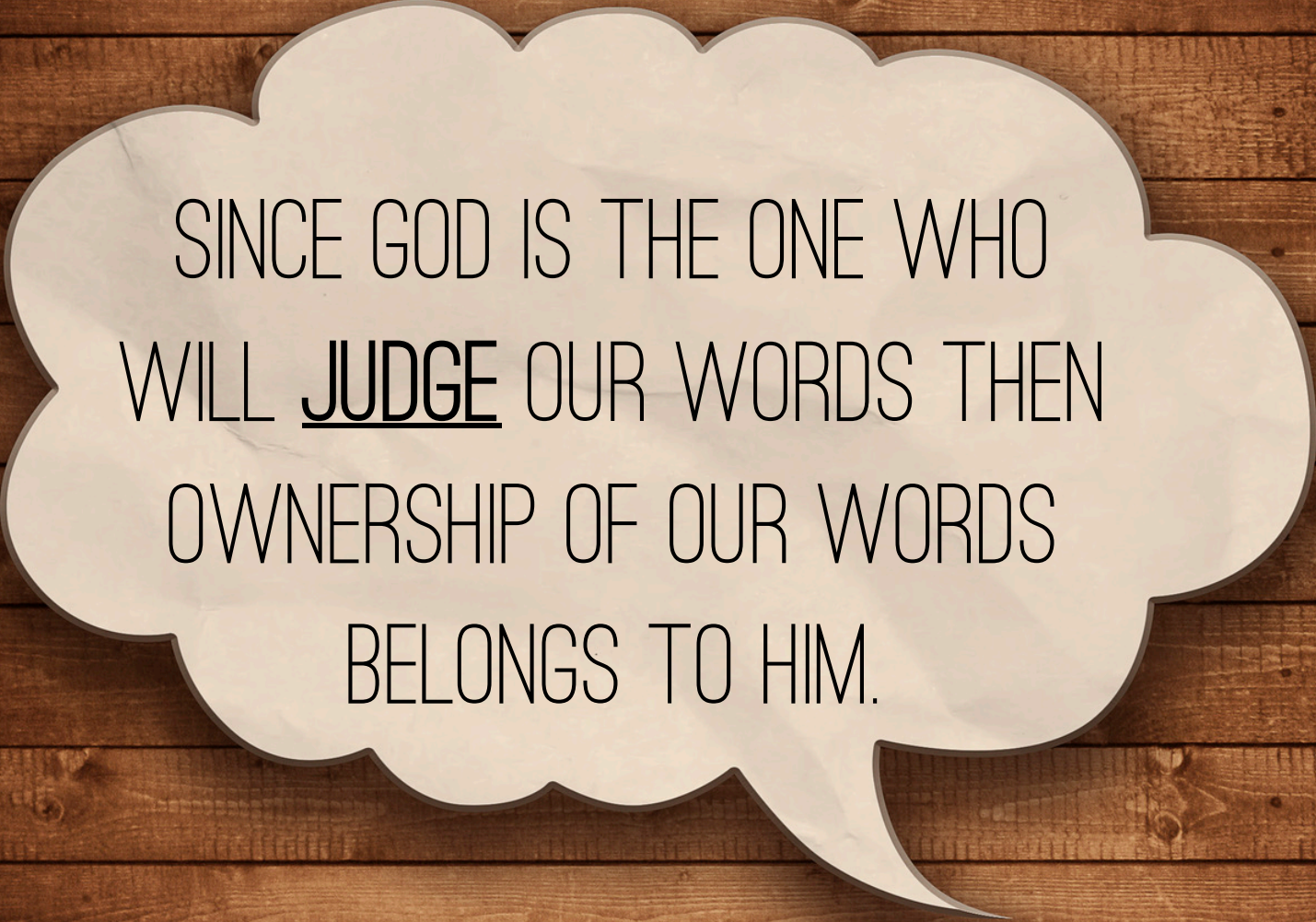
## WHO OWNS OUR WORDS?

**DAVID SAID, "LET THE WORDS  
OF MY MOUTH AND THE  
MEDITATION OF MY HEART BE  
ACCEPTABLE IN YOUR SIGHT,  
O LORD, MY ROCK AND MY  
REDEEMER" (PSALM 19:14).**

SINCE GOD IS THE ONE WE  
SHOULD SEEK TO PLEASE WITH  
OUR WORDS THEN OWNERSHIP  
OF OUR WORDS BELONGS TO  
HIM

## WHO OWNS OUR WORDS?

**JESUS SAID, "ON THE DAY OF JUDGMENT PEOPLE WILL GIVE ACCOUNT FOR EVERY CARELESS WORD THEY SPEAK, FOR BY YOUR WORDS YOU WILL BE JUSTIFIED, AND BY YOUR WORDS YOU WILL BE CONDEMNED" (MATT 12:36-37).**



SINCE GOD IS THE ONE WHO  
WILL JUDGE OUR WORDS THEN  
OWNERSHIP OF OUR WORDS  
BELONGS TO HIM.





— Your —  
**WORDS**  
are a  
**REFLECTION**  
of your  
**HEART**

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**MATT 15:18; LUKE 6:45;  
PSALM 139:4**



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Your

**WORDS**

are a

**EVIDENCE**

of your

**FAITH**

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**JAMES 1:26; 3:9-10;  
JUDGES 12:1-6**



— Your —  
**WORDS**  
are the  
**POWER**  
behind your  
**EXAMPLE**

**COLOSSIANS 4:6; 1 TIM  
4:12; TITUS 2:7-8**



GOD INSTRUCTS YOU  
TO "KEEP YOUR  
TONGUE FROM EVIL"  
(PSALMS 34:13) AND  
DOING SO REQUIRES US  
TO  
AVOID CERTAIN USES

**DO NOT  
LIE**



**PROVERBS 12:22; COLOSSIANS 3:9; REVELATION 21:8**

**DO NOT  
GOSSIP**

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**PROVERBS 11:13; ROMANS 1:29; 1 TIMOTHY 5:13; 2 COR 12:20**

**DO NOT  
COMPLAIN**

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**NUMBERS 11:1; 14:26-35; 1 COR 10:10; PHILIPPIANS 2:14**

**DO NOT  
INSULT**

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**MATTHEW 5:22; EPHESIANS 4:29**



**DO NOT SPEAK  
PEERVISEL**

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**PROVERBS 4:24; 8:13; EPHESIANS 5:3-4**

**DO NOT  
BOAST**

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**PSALM 12:3; JEREMIAH 9:23-24; 2 TIMOTHY 3:1-5; JAMES 4:16**

# **DO NOT SLANDER**

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**JAMES 4:11; 1 PETER 2:1, 23; 3:9; EPHESIANS 4:31**

**DO NOT  
BLASPHEMIE**

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**COLOSSIANS 3:8; 2 PETER 2:1-2; 1 TIMOTHY 1:19-20**



GOD ENCOURAGES YOU TO  
BE "SLOW TO SPEAK"  
(JAMES 1:19) BECAUSE HE  
EXPECTS FOR "WHATEVER  
YOU DO IN WORD OR DEED"  
TO BE DONE "IN THE NAME  
OF THE LORD JESUS  
(COLOSSIANS 3:17).

# THE GREATEST COMMANDS FOR WORDS

1. GLORIFY GOD (Hebrews 13:15)
2. UPLIFT OTHERS (1 Thessalonians 5:11)



