

Speak Like God | Al Mohler, Humpty Dumpty, Aliens, & Your Family

I. Thinking affects our vocabulary.

- Matthew 12:34, 15:18; Luke 6:45
- What we believe, understand, and know comes out of our mouth.
- Most of us would have no problem understanding that how we think controls how we talk. Jesus said that everything that comes from the mouth proceeded from the heart. The “heart” was the ancient Hebrew, Greek, and Aramaic understanding of our inner man. Our inner man — the core of our being — is our spirit, and our spirit is what produces what modern scientists refer to as our mind. Our words arise from our thoughts. So, how can one suggest that our thoughts are controlled by our words?
- How do we learn information in the first place? We learn through language and — more specifically — vocabulary.

II. Vocabulary affects our thinking.

- “If one is the master of language, then one controls the entire communication system and eventually the entire culture. To control the lexicon is eventually to control the meaning and indeed the entire worldview of a society. The worldview shapes the vocabulary, but make no mistake, the vocabulary shapes the worldview.” -Al Mohler-
- How we talk controls how we think.
- You can only think within the context of your vocabulary.
- Your understanding of concepts will deepen or become superficial depending on the words you have to describe them.
- We can’t appreciate what it means to be saved if we don’t understand what sin is. We can’t begin to conceptualize what it means to serve our Creator if our language is dominated by nothing but independence, self-actualization, self-sufficiency, the American Dream, individualism, and entitlement.
- People have literally lost the ability to understand that they were created to glorify God because their vocabulary prohibits them from thinking along those lines.

III. Therefore, in order to align our thoughts to God, we must speak His words His way.

- These ideas of linguistic theft and the defining of terms has the potential of making it impossible for your children to think biblically about life.
- Who is the master of your family’s vocabulary? If God is not the master of your family language, then the world controls the entire communication system and culture in your home. When the world controls your family lexicon it controls the meaning and indeed the entire worldview of your family. This secular worldview will shape your family’s vocabulary, but make no mistake, this secular vocabulary also shapes your family’s worldview.”

I. Point One

- Explanation

