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Speaking God's Word is a wonderful privilege and a right we get to enjoy as His children. Exercising that right brings deliverance to others and also provides benefits in our own lives.

God's Word clearly shows that one characteristic we have as His born-again children is that we are ambassadors for Christ. And we are ambassadors *now*—we never have to wait for the right circumstance in the future. This is a present-tense reality for all born-again Christians.

II Corinthians 5:20:

Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

An ambassador is an authorized representative or messenger. That is amazing to think about—we are authorized representatives, messengers for Jesus Christ. What an awesome right we have, to hold forth this message of deliverance!

God's Word declares that out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks (Luke 6:45). What we put in our hearts is what we will talk about. So if we want to have an abundance of the Word to give to others, then we need to put an abundance of it in our hearts. Once we have an abundance of the Word to give, the next thing we need to do is simply open our mouths and speak it.

Acts 8:35:

Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

Philip opened his mouth and preached to the Ethiopian man who was searching for understanding of the truth, and as a result, the man got born again.

Acts 10:34:

Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons.

Peter opened his mouth and spoke the Word to Cornelius and his household, and then they got born again.

Philip and Peter were dynamic men who loved to exercise their right to speak the Word. They loved speaking it because they knew how much it had blessed their lives and wanted to do the same for others. And what did they do? They simply opened their mouths and spoke! It was that simple for them then, and it's that simple for us today.

There are many benefits to speaking God's Word. Let's take a look at just a few of them and see what God promises us as we rise up to this heavenly and noble calling.

Ephesians 4:15:

But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ.

One benefit we experience when we speak the truth in love is that we grow up into Christ. We grow spiritually in our walk as we proclaim God's truth with love and believing.

I Thessalonians 2:4:

But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.

When we speak God's Word with His love in our hearts, we please Him. We don't speak the Word to please men, but to please God.

God has made us His ambassadors and provided us with the Word we need to fulfill that calling. We make sure our hearts are full of the Word and full of thankfulness for all of His many blessings in our lives. Then, we simply open our mouths and exercise our right to hold forth the Word with believing. When we do, we not only help others, but we also enjoy rich benefits! We grow up spiritually into Christ, and our lives please God by speaking forth His Word. Let's exercise our right to speak His Word every day!

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