

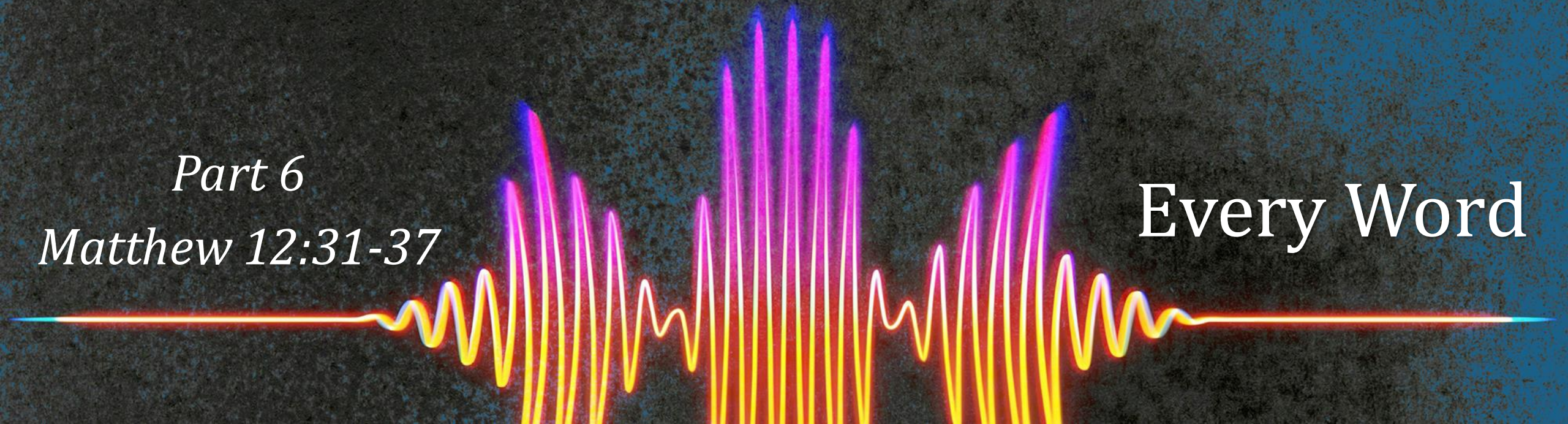
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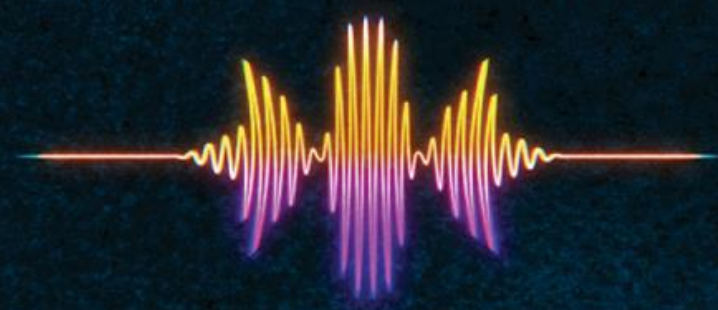
DEATH AND LIFE ARE IN THE POWER OF THE TONGUE... – PROVERBS 18:21

Part 6

Matthew 12:31-37

Every Word

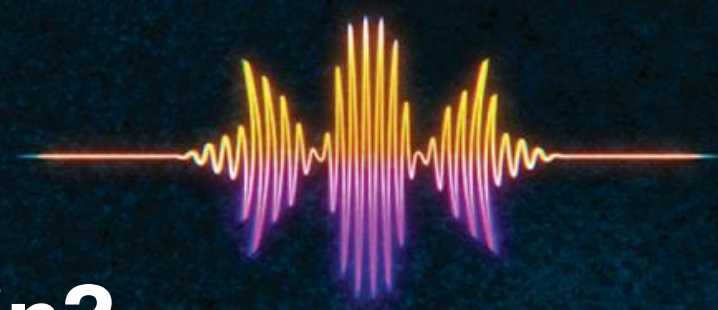




**Why do I keep saying
things I know I shouldn't?**

***Because the mouth isn't the
problem, it's the messenger.***

Matthew 12:31-32



Is there an unpardonable sin?

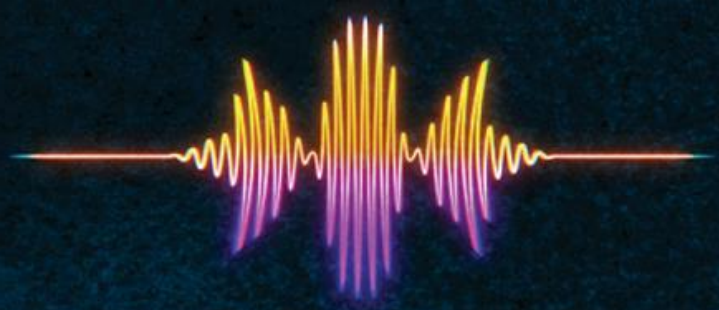
a deliberate, informed, willful rejection of the Holy Spirit's clear testimony about Jesus by attributing His work to Satan

Why is it unforgiveable?

The person has become so hardened that they reject the very One (the Holy Spirit) who brings them to repentance

How can I know if I have committed the unpardonable sin?

the clearest proof that someone has NOT committed the unpardonable sin is that they are worried they might have



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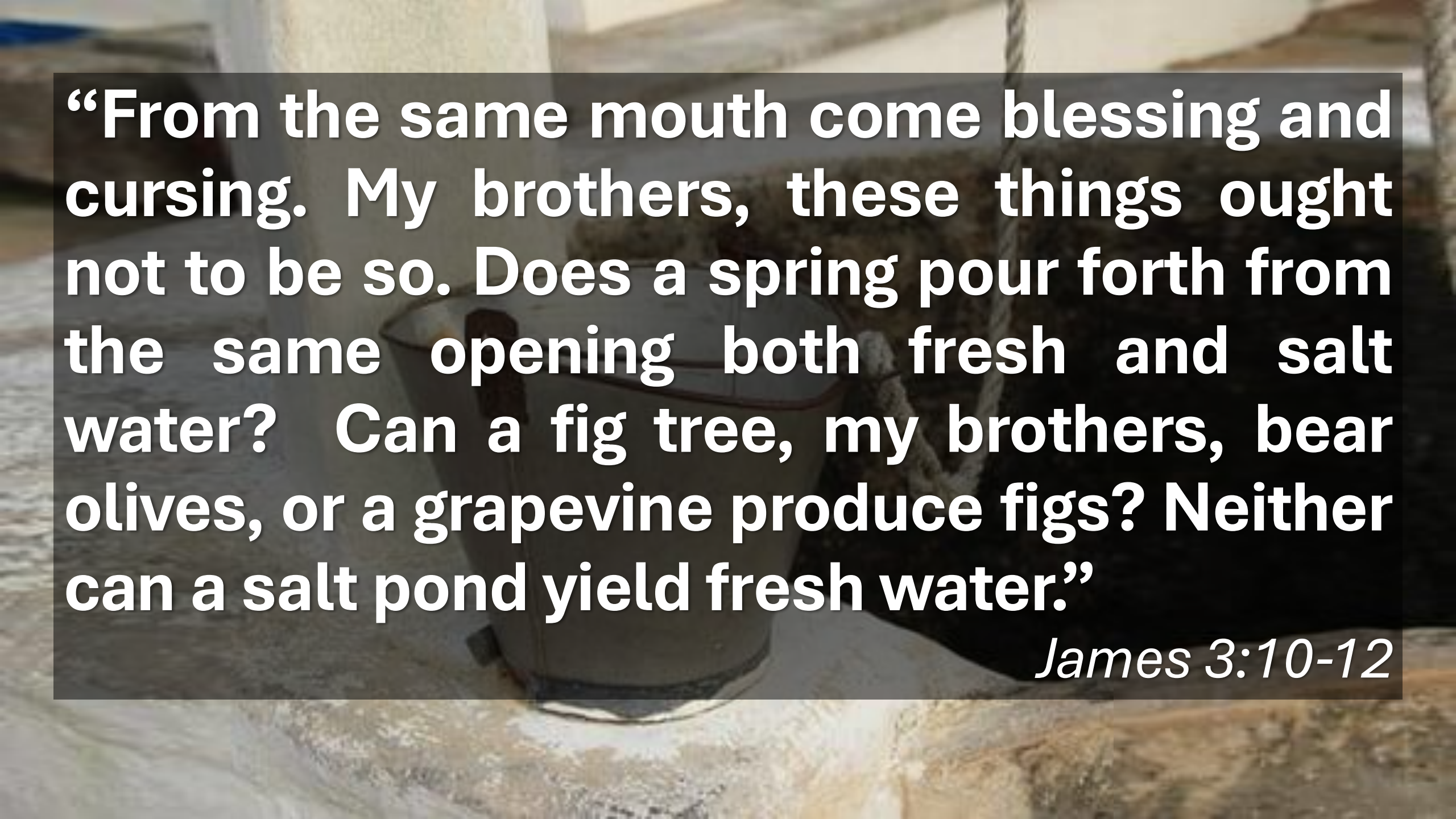
“abundance”

*Overflow, surplus, what fills
a container beyond capacity*



A photograph of a weathered metal bucket hanging from a rope over a well. The bucket is positioned on the left side of the frame, with its handle visible. The rope extends from the top right towards the bucket. The well opening is on the right, showing a dark interior. The surrounding area is made of concrete and stone. The text "What's down in the well comes up in the bucket." is overlaid in white, bold font across the center of the image.

**What's down in the well
comes up in the bucket.**



“From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.”

James 3:10-12

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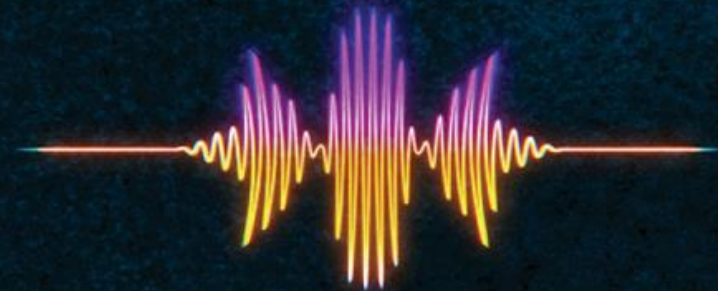
**What's down in the well
comes up in the bucket.**

**Pressure doesn't make you say
ugly things. Pressure reveals what
was already inside.**



“treasure”

*(thesaurus) treasure chest,
storehouse, repository*

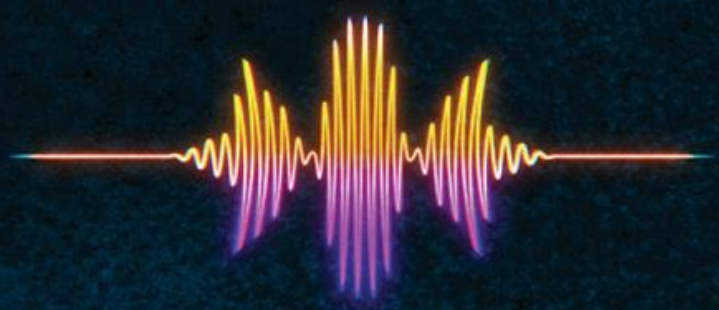


**You can't fill the storehouse
with garbage and expect
treasure to come out.**



**God isn't interested in speech
management; He's after heart
transformation.**





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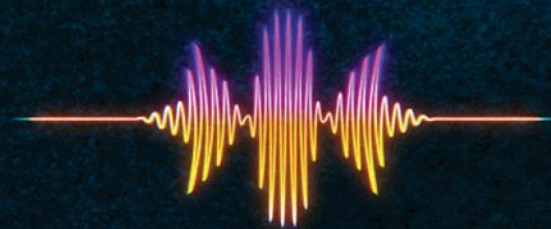
“idle”

*careless, unproductive, lazy,
worthless*



“You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.”

Exodus 20:7



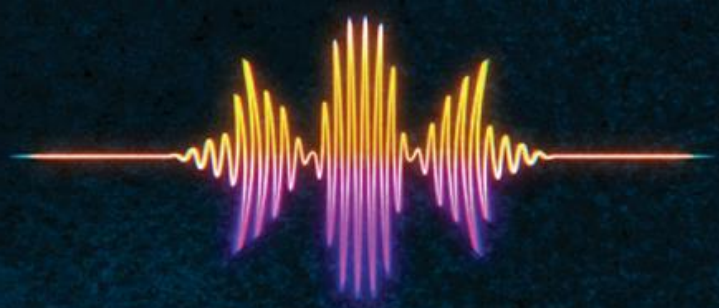
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“That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.”

Philippians 2:9-11



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3. Jesus doesn't clean up your vocabulary – *He transforms your heart.*

Jesus gives 3 pictures that teach important lessons of the heart.



- **Tree (vs. 33)** — The heart produces visible fruit.
- **Treasure chest (vs. 35)** — The heart stores what we continually value.
- **Courtroom (vs. 36-37)** — The heart will someday be exposed.

Take the Psalm 19:14 challenge!



**“Let the words of my mouth and
the meditation of my heart be
acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my
strength and my redeemer.”**