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International speaker Sharon Jaynes believes that women have incredible power in their sphere of influence with the words they speak.

Words are one of the most powerful forces in the universe, and they can be used for good or evil. When God created our world, He did so with words. He said, "Let there be..." and it was so. While our words cannot bring into existence things that are not, they do have the power to build courage into a husband's life, instill confidence into a child's heart, fan into flames the dying embers of a friend's smoldering dreams, and draw the lost to Christ.

This book is for every woman who desires to use her words to build up rather than tear down, to encourage rather than discourage, to cheer rather than jeer. It is for all who desire to have more control over that mighty force called the tongue.

The Power of a Woman's Words Details

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Samantha says

This is a very thought provoking book that asks us to evaluate what we choose to say to others. There are chapters on words specifically to our children, spouse, friends, ect. Jaynes gives many personal and Biblical examples of words gone wrong . . . and right. This book teaches patience and consideration when it comes to what we speak. While society tells us that we have the right to say whatever we want whenever we want. Jaynes reminds us that this might not always be wise even if it is "allowed." I found this book very helpful in my personal quest to use my words wisely and be a blessing to those around me. The workbook that goes along with it is good, but I did not get nearly as much out of using it. I think I would have enjoyed just reading this book on it's own without the accompanying study workbook, but it was nice to have for our group study.

Clarice says

Dang, this book could have gotten 5 stars if it weren't for some of the self righteous comments the author made a few times in the book. It would have been better for her to write to a wider audience, then to assume that everyone that reads the book is so conservative of a Christian woman that she would "never" watch an R rated movie, or go to a nightclub. The author had to justify herself a few times so that we wouldn't think "badly" of her for doing such things. (The movie was EDITED that she saw, etc.) I guess I sort of understand, I used to be like that too.

But her message is a great one that every woman needs to hear, especially those of us that are mothers, and we have the opportunity to tear down our children or build them up. I marked many passages in this book, and will keep it on my bookshelf to remind me of the importance of using our words to uplift others, not just in our family, but anyone we get the chance to meet in this life. The positive message in this book far outweighs the few instances I was annoyed by her comments.

Amy Darrow says

This and one other book this year saved my Mother's marriage and improved my marriage way more than I could ever realized. Rather than women complain about their marriages and what their husbands are not doing. The wives need to realize that our attitudes and personalities towards our husbands and family greatly affects the spirit in our homes. As the ladies of our homes, we have more control over bettering our homes than we realize with the words we choose to use.

Lorraine says

Sharon Jayne's The Power of a Woman's Words had a profound effect on me as I think about what I say and the words that I choose to use with my husband, my family and my friends. Just one tidbit of wisdom among many that I read was:

"Oh God please install a filter between my brain and my mouth. Help me to choose words carefully and speak in smooth and mellow tones. Thank you for teaching me the lesson of the coffee filter."
I would say this is a must read for any Christian woman.

Leigh Ann says

I read this book on vacation as my daily devotion because it was our next book for our church book club. What a gem! This author is so gifted in encouraging us to use our words the right way and showing us wrong patterns without making you feel like you've been condemned. This is a book I wish I had time to read once a year. Great stuff!!

Roberta says

Excellent TRUTHS in this wise book.
I "met Sharon Jaynes" at a "GIRLFRIENDS IN GOD"
Concert. I know she writes from experience and love.
"We are Gods Masterpiece, Chosen....and dearly loved,
fearfully and wonderfully made."
"Words, one of the most significant forces in the universe,
can be used for good or evil. Your words can change the course of
the day, the course of a life."
instill confidence into a child's heart.
encourage a husband to accomplish his dreams.
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#Fan the dying embers of a Friends smoldering hope
#Draw someone to the love of Jesus
#Open the door to powerful prayer.

Speak LIFE to those around you.

Irene says

]Sharon Jaynes does a fine job illustrating how powerful our words are and how what we harbor in our hearts ultimately leads to what comes out of our mouths. Her stories help deliver these messages in a powerful way, thereby, I think, helping the reader better relate to the lessons. The key messages I received was 1) sometimes it just better to be silent; just because it's true doesn't mean you have say it out loud and 2) what you say about others tells people a lot about the state of your heart. Although this book is geared towards women, I believe that men can gain a lot from reading this as well (just turn every reference to woman/she to man/he and husband to wife as applicable... you get the picture).

Marnie says

Great things to think about in how we choose and use words.

Stephanie says

I honestly thought this book was just okay. The author makes several good points, but on more than one occasion shared anecdotes that I thought missed the mark or perhaps even defeated the purpose.

Because tearing down when I should be building up is a huge struggle of mine, I was hoping for something life-changing - something that would really stick - and sadly that just didn't happen. Better luck next time I guess.

Melinda Freeland says

The Power of a Woman's Words by Sharon Jaynes will inspire women (and men) to choose their words carefully because this book illustrates the potent influence a woman's words can have in the lives of others.

Jaynes is one of the three women who comprise GIRLFRIENDS IN GOD (GIG), the non-denominational ministry that specializes in encouraging females in their spiritual life. I signed up for GIG daily devotional emails about three months ago, and that's how I came across this book. Jaynes' writing style in both the daily messages and in this book is both pleasingly lyrical in some sentences, and at other times refreshingly straight-forward, in a "let's be honest, girlfriend to girlfriend" format.

The author uses Biblical references, stories from people she's met over the years, personal anecdotes, and quotes by both famous and unknown individuals, in examples that show how just a few words have the power to either rip apart another person's measure of worth or to build up a human being's level of confidence and self-esteem.

I try to never say things that I personally would be upset about if someone were to say the same thing to me—the problem is that I define myself as pretty "thick-skinned." It's taken me a long time to realize that just because something might not bother me, it would probably injure at least about 50% or more of the people I know because they are not as "unaffected" by particular words or actions as I am. Sharon Jaynes' book has helped to remind me that my words do play a vital role in both how other people feel about themselves and how those people, due to my choice of words, feel about me.

Those individuals who mean the most to me are the ones who I most definitely want to watch what I say when I speak to them. The Power of a Woman's Words has five chapters highlighting how words can affect these "most special to me" individuals, and even gives examples of specific do use/don't use phrases when we address these people in our lives: our children, spouses, friends, fellow believers and God. A sixth chapter under this subsection of "The People We Impact," includes an area that will have the farthest-reach: this chapter is titled, "The Power of a Woman's Words to the World."

The other two sections of this motivating book are "The Power We Possess" and "The Potential to Change," which includes chapters such as "The Potency of Silence" and "The Profound Possibilities."

Since I am a writer, I love how Jaynes sprinkles quotes throughout her book not only from Scripture, but also by well-known poets and writers, and even "unknown" authors. The particular quotes she uses bring home the point of each section in the book in which the quote is included. Some of my favorite quotes and passages Jaynes used, including her own "quoted" words were:

"Let the wife make the husband glad to come home, and let him make her sorry to see him leave." -- Martin Luther

"Your words become the mirror in which others see themselves." -- Sharon Jaynes

"With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in God's likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be." -- James 3:9-12 TNIV

"I seldom feel sorry for the things I did not say." -- Author Unknown

I recommend this book not only to Christians who search for ways to become more like the person God intended them to be, but for any mom, dad, husband, wife, friend, family member, and to any and every person who strives to bring about the best in others and to cause the least amount of damage (intentional or unintentional) to those who share with them this awesome world God created.

Ashley says

This was the latest Bible study that our women's group at church did. I read the book along with filling out the workbook. It was a fantastic book/study. For as long as I can remember my words have been a weakness, I have a short fuse and I tend to just blurt out whatever comes into my head without much thought. This book certainly challenged me to use my words more wisely. There was so much good information, tons of scripture and I enjoyed it, but it was a challenge! I'm hoping to carry on watching my words and praying that they get better, kinder, fewer, and that I can stop nagging!!! I highly recommend this and the study guide book.

Sarah says

This is the last of a whole group of books I bought about taming your tongue. All of them have disappointed me. This book started out well, but I ended up getting very distracted. I think she collected a huge file full of wonderful stories to illustrate her point and felt she had to use every last one. For me, reading one little story, one right after the other wasn't working.

Susie says

Excellent book! This book explores the words that we use in every aspect of our lives...with our children, husbands, God, and the outside world. It has very practical help in each chapter as it recommends certain phrases to use in each situation and phrases to avoid. The last part of the book looks at the change that needs to happen and what we need to do to bring about that change. There is much good that can come from our

tongues but also much damage that can be done, and this book gives helpful information on how to change the deadly cycle of using our words for harm.

Schroedette says

Very challenging and encouraging book. Would highly recommend!

Amanda says

I thought it was a pretty good book, for what it is, but lacks in some respects. For example, she could have gotten into the power of words in song, because they are combined with the amazing power of music, but she totally skipped over that. It would have been a great addition, as a lot of people, especially Christians, are oblivious to the power of the music they listen to over their spiritual life. But it might be that Mrs. Jaynes, for all her good insight into the power of words, has not investigated music specifically.

Otherwise, I think she could have left out the anecdotes from secular movies that were entirely unnecessary to make her point, and there were some theological flaws, but the overall message is solid and a very important one. It was definitely a help to me as I have recently gotten married and really needed to be reminded of the power my words have with my husband, and through him to many others (he's a minister), especially given that I have a history of using my words carelessly. I think that the author, like all of us, still has room to grow, but she is sharing the insights that God has given her along the way and that is a very good thing. I pray that she continues to learn and to become more like Jesus and to continue to share what she learns with women everywhere. :)
