

# Praying for REIGN

“A New Way of Speaking”

- Introduction:
1. The purpose of this series has been to remind all of us to allow Jesus to reign in our lives.
  2. Sometimes we speak of facts... Jesus is King, He has a Kingdom; but we fail to speak of expectations...Jesus must reign in us.
  3. The reign of Jesus in our lives will create radical changes within us.
  4. One additional way Jesus’ reign can be lived out is in our speech.

## I. The REIGN of Jesus Results Through A New Way Of Speaking

- A. “First Language Attrition” is the loss of one’s native language when one learns a new language.
- B. Those who allow Jesus to reign in them will soon come to the realization that they have forgotten the way they used to speak.
- C. However, it’s a process, not an event.

## II. Ways Our Language Will Change Under The Influence of Jesus’ REIGN

- A. We will speak more truthfully.
  1. (Matthew 5:33-37).
  2. Our integrity is at stake.
- B. We will speak more lovingly.
  1. (Ephesians 4:15).
  2. (Colossians 4:6).
- C. We will be slower to speak.
  1. (James 1:19).
- D. We will speak less critically.
  1. (Philippians 2:14).
- D. We will speak words that heal and not wound.
  1. (Ephesians 4:29).

- Conclusion:
1. May we so speak that when people are around us, they will know that we have been with Jesus (Acts 4:13).
  2. Let us embrace and take great joy in the reign of Jesus in our lives.
  3. When we do, we’ll discover a better life now, as well as later.