

## *Valley Bible Church – Sermon Notes*

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**"Stop Kidding Yourself"**

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**James 1:19-27**

Areas of speech that need to be abandoned:

Blasphemous speech involves an intentional and defiant dishonoring of the nature, name, or work of God by word or action (Exodus 20:7).

Filthy speech is everything inconsistent with the modesty of the saint (Ephesians 5:4).

Lying speech is any speech that is consciously attempting to mislead or deceive another (Ephesians 4:25).

Complaining speech is any speech that expresses a spirit of discontent with the way things are (Philippians 2:14).

Boastful speech is any speech that robs God of what is due Him in respect to glory, honor and praise (Jeremiah 9:23-24).

Angry speech is any emotionally driven communication which originates from the flesh that impels us to hurt or destroy that which angers us (Matthew 5:21-22).

Careless speech is any speech that does not work to produce a good result (Matthew 12:22-37).

Areas of speech that need to be added:

Adoring speech is the outflow of our redeemed spirit contemplating God's holy perfections in prayer (Psalms 100).

Appreciative speech is any speech that communicates to people we value them for who they are (1 Peter 2:17).

Confessing speech is any speech directed to God that acknowledges our sin and agrees with Him concerning it (1 John 1:9).

We abhor the sin that we have committed and not only that sin but we abhor all sin (Habakkuk 1:3).

We are determined never to repeat that sin or any other sin again (Proverbs 28:13).

We are prepared to do whatever is necessary to clean up the mess that we might have made and to make sure that we will not make the same mess again (2 Corinthians 7:10-11).

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Justification is a judicial act of God, in which He declares, on the basis of the righteousness of Jesus Christ, that all the claims of the law are satisfied in respect to the sinner.

Never again will a Christian need to seek forgiveness of God for any sin in order to secure a right standing before the Lord (Romans 8:1, 32-39).