*Sunday, September 27, 2009*

**Be More Ready To Hear**

Ecclesiastes 5:2 Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few. (KJV)

Ecclesiastes 5:1-3

(4.) It is not enough that what we say comes from the heart, but it must come from a composed heart, and not from a sudden heat or passion. As the mouth must not be rash, so the heart must not be hasty; we must not only think, but think twice, before we speak, when we are to speak either from God in preaching or to God in prayer, and not utter any thing indecent and undigested, 1 Cor 14:15. (from Matthew Henry's Commentary)

We must be swift to hear and slow to speak so that the words that come forth from our heart and mouth will not be those of ourselves but of our Father’s words of life and truth.

The words that He speaks unto us are Spirit and they are life, and in them death is swallowed up in victory; this is what should be coming forth from our heart and into our life bringing joy, peace, and the liberty to serve and worship our Father in Spirit and in truth in Christ.

Don’t be foolish and unlearned; but learn to walk in the wisdom from above where Christ is seated on the right hand of God; be ready and willing to listen to His guidance and counsel in and through all things; trust with all thy heart being of a sound mind (the mind of Christ) so as not to utter foolishness. And last, don’t be afraid and be of a faint heart; be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might letting your words be few to utter anything that would alter your course home to Him.

Today, be more ready to hear than to give the sacrifice of fools.