

The Pilgrim's Progress
Chapter 10– "Two Pilgrim's Meet"
Chapter 11– "The Pilgrims Meet Talkative"
Chapter 12– "The Pilgrim's Suffer at Vanity Fair"
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"What a fine companion we've got here. This man will make an extremely good Pilgrim."
Faithful, to Christian, regarding Talkative

I. DVD #10 "The Godless City: Vanity Fair"

II. Talkative

A. Bunyan's description

1. Tall – What might this mean?
2. Better looking at a distance – What might this mean?
3. Was talking too much Talkative's main problem?

"Nobody could call him [Talkative] a detractor or a backbiter or a talebearer or a liar. . . . Had he been guilty of any of these things, Faithful would soon have found him out, and would have left him to go to the Celestial City by himself." – Alexander Whyte

B. Christian's description

1. What experience along the way could have helped Faithful recognize Talkative as a false professor?
2. Are we commanded in Scripture to speak evil of no man?
 - a. Titus 3:1-2
 - b. Eph 4:31
 - c. James 4:11
3. Talkative is a master at _____ new acquaintances.
4. Talkative comes from the City of Destruction.
5. Talkative is the son of _____ and lived on Gabby Row.
6. Talkative is _____ in his pilgrimage.
7. Talkative confounds the relationship between saying and _____.

C. Scripture's description of a "Talkative"

1. Diotrephes (3 John 3:9-10)
2. Balaam (Numbers 23:10)
3. Ahithophel (Psalm 55:20-21)
4. False professors (Mt 7:21-23)
5. The loveless (1 Cor 13:1)

- III. Faithful questions Talkative (“How shall we prove the boastful claims of a good cook?”)
- A. “How does the saving grace of God reveal itself when it is in the person’s heart?” (What evidence ought to be found when the grace of God has truly converted a person’s heart?)
 - 1. “Outcry against sin.”
 - 2. “Great knowledge of gospel mysteries.”
 - B. Faithful’s explanation of how God’s saving grace is revealed to the Christian
 - 1. It inclines the soul to _____ sin
 - 2. He has a knowledge that is associated with the grace of faith and love, which causes a person to begin _____ the will of God from the _____
 - 3. It reveals itself to him who has it and to those around him.
 - 4. It convicts of sin, causing _____ and _____ for sin.
 - 5. He finds Christ _____ in himself and hungers and thirsts for righteousness.
 - 6. He’ll _____ joy and peace according to the strength or weakness of his faith in Christ.
 - C. Faithful’s explanation of how God’s saving grace is revealed to others
 - 1. In an experiential _____ of his faith in Christ.
 - 2. In a life in _____ with his confession.
- IV. Next Week: Read Chapter 12 “The Pilgrims Suffer at the Vanity Fair.”



Eloquent Talkative

