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A Spiritual Lesson In Toon Language: Lesson
22d

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Series: Smurfs

Episode: Stop And Smurf The Roses

Topic: The Chlorhydris Files IV—Influence Of
The Tongue

Introduction:

We are talking about the influence of the tongue. This is interesting in the fact that we use Laconia and Chlorhydris figuratively as the same entity in the Smurfs episode [Stop And Smurf The Roses](#) because I want to show that we as humans are capable of either the pure love inside Laconia which we need in the Christian walk to get God's Great Commission done or the things that Chlorhydris would do (hateful and hurtful). Chlorhydris' way will never get God's Great Commission done.

Scriptures Used Include: I John 4: 7-8, 16; Proverbs 15: 1-4; Ephesians 5: 1-21; James 3: 1-12; Matthew 28: 18-20

I) Opening Prayer

II) Remember Our Bible Point: Does everyone remember our Bible Point for this Chlorhydris series of lessons? Let's Read I John 4: 7-8, 16.

III) Opening Discussion: Today we are talking about the tongue and its obvious possible influences. When you use or hear the word influence, what does it mean to you? Before we get to our cartoon, let's read a very small passage of scripture to prime ourselves for our main study. Let's read Proverbs 15: 1-4. What does this mean

to you?

IV)Cartoon Show: **Stop And Smurf The
Roses**

For The Cartoon, Follow This Link:

http://toonspirit.net/lessons_and_studies/122/Chlorhydric4.webm

V)Bible Study I: Ephesians 5: 1-21, James
3: 1-12

VI) Analysis And Discussion I: **After the
cartoon, what do these scriptures, that of
course would include our Proverbs scripture,
mean to you linking to our cartoon? I want
you to use your imagination. This is to see**

how much you see about the good and bad that come out of one's mouth. You may have had a tough time because this is very figurative. If you didn't have trouble, then great!!! Let's break this down together.

The hint here is that all of those flowers in the cartoon symbolize all the people in one's circle of influence. The wand represents the human tongue. Surprisingly, Laconia and Chlorhydris are figuratively the same entity or person in this lesson. Now, plug the scriptures into this figurative discussion and see what you come up with. [What do you see now that links to this cartoon in the](#)

scriptures? Now if you separate Laconia from Chlorhydris at this point in your minds you will see something interesting. In this cartoon, killing all of the flowers of the world puts Laconia into a coma. Since the flowers represent people, we see that the whole world's population is Laconia's influence circle.

VII) Bible Study II, Analysis And

Discussion II: This comes from Matthew

28: 18-20. The Bible States:

Mt 28:18 Then Jesus came to them and said,

“All authority in heaven and on earth has

been given to me.

Mt 28:19 Therefore go and make disciples of
all nations, baptizing them in the name of
the Father and of the Son and of the Holy
Spirit,

Mt 28:20 and teaching them to obey everything
I have commanded you. And surely I am
with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Laconia represents the true Christian's
mission: to make disciples of the nations, to

love the people, build them up and bring Jesus into their lives. When Chlorhydris did what she did, she represented the evil of the tongue and crushed the flowers with the wand. What do you feel like when someone hurts someone in your influence circle? The snapdragon represents someone like Chlorhydris who hurts people (inadvertently or intentionally) and helps to perhaps destroy spiritual lives. Have you had to deal with a real live snapdragon; have one of those hurt you? Have you ever because of one of these experiences turned into who Chlorhydris is, in other words become one

of her snapdragons, or worse yet like

Chlorhydris herself (mad at the world and

not very nice) because of it? You might feel

somewhat like Laconia (in a coma). You

don't know how to help and sometimes you

can't pray very well for the people you love,

feel that are special, a stranger or otherwise

yourself. Enter Natural Smurf in this

picture, who is very loving. Enter Papa

Smurf who destroyed the influence

Chlorhydris had. These symbolize God's

undying love. God is Love. The insects that

started and continued to sting Chlorhydris in

her moat represent God's chastising on

Chlorhydric. How much are you like
Chlorhydric (hurtful tongue), Laconia
(healing tongue)? Do you see the
connection between this cartoon, and the
Great Commission that Jesus is talking
about here? The simple truth is that if we
don't allow Jesus to help us tame our
tongues, we won't be able to fulfill His
Great Commission. How can you be as
Laconia, show that God is Love, and fulfill
the Great Commission scripture?

VIII) Closing Prayer