

# LIVING WISELY



# Watch Your Mouth

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# Words

- **The power of words**
- **The possibility of words**
- **The source of words**



# The Power of Words

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# Proverbs 18:21 (ESV)

Death and life are in the power of the tongue,  
and those who love it will eat its fruits.



# The Possibility of Words

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# The Possibility of Words

- Healing not wounding



# Proverbs 12:18 (ESV)

There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.



# The Possibility of Words

- **Healing not wounding**
- **Honest not deceptive**



# Proverbs 24:26 (ESV)

Whoever gives an honest answer kisses the lips.



# Proverbs 16:28 (ESV)

A dishonest man spreads strife, and a  
whisperer separates close friends.



# The Possibility of Words

- **Healing not wounding**
- **Honest not deceptive**
- **Thoughtful not careless**



# Proverbs 25:11 (ESV)

A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.



# Proverbs 10:31-32 (ESV)

The mouth of the righteous brings forth wisdom, but the perverse tongue will be cut off. <sup>32</sup> The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable, but the mouth of the wicked, what is perverse.



# The Possibility of Words

- **Healing not wounding**
- **Honest not deceptive**
- **Thoughtful not careless**
- **Gentle not harsh**



# Proverbs 15:1-4 (ESV)

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. <sup>2</sup> The tongue of the wise commends knowledge, but the mouths of fools pour out folly. <sup>3</sup> The eyes of the LORD are in every place, keeping watch on the evil and the good. <sup>4</sup> A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.



# The Possibility of Words

- **Healing not wounding**
- **Honest not deceptive**
- **Thoughtful not careless**
- **Gentle not harsh**
- **Direct not gossipy**



# Proverbs 10:18 (ESV)

The one who conceals hatred has lying lips, and whoever utters slander is a fool.



# The Possibility of Words

- **Healing not wounding**
- **Honest not deceptive**
- **Thoughtful not careless**
- **Gentle not harsh**
- **Direct not gossipy**
- **Few not many**



# Proverbs 10:19 (ESV)

When words are many, transgression is not lacking, but whoever restrains his lips is prudent.



# Proverbs 18:13 (ESV)

If one gives an answer before he hears, it is his folly and shame.



# Proverbs 13:3 (ESV)

Whoever guards his mouth preserves his life;  
he who opens wide his lips comes to ruin.



# Proverbs 21:23 (ESV)

Whoever keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps himself out of trouble.



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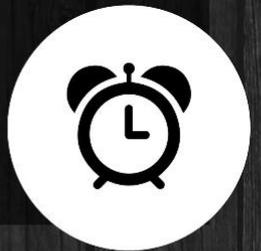
# Proverbs 16:23 (ESV)

The heart of the wise makes his speech  
judicious and adds persuasiveness to his lips.



# Matthew 12:34b-37 (ESV)

For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. <sup>35</sup> The good person out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure brings forth evil. <sup>36</sup> I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak, <sup>37</sup> for by your words you will be



# Matthew 12:34b-37 (ESV)

<sup>37</sup> justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”



**“Your words are always in pursuit of some kind of kingdom. You are either speaking as a mini-king, seeking to establish your will in your relationships and circumstances; or you are speaking as an ambassador, seeking to be part of what the King is doing.”**

**-Lane and Tripp**

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