



Bible Study: Proverbs Part 9, Words Part 2/2

2 Corinthians 10:5 ... take every thought captive in obedience to Christ...

Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things.

*Are you sowing a treasury of great words into those around you?
Will your children be able to recall your words of life when they think
back on their life in your home?*

Matthew 15: 10- 10 After Jesus called the crowd to Him, He said to them, “Hear and understand. 11 It is not what enters into the mouth that defiles the man, but what proceeds out of the mouth, this defiles the man.”

Words were important to Jesus. How does it feel to know that it is what comes out of your mouth that defiles you? Ask the Lord to grow you in maturity and self-control with your words.

Colossians 3:8 But now you also, put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth.

How can you establish a pattern of peacefulness in your home by putting aside these things?

Take some time now to read and reflect on James chapter 3.

What jumps out at you? How is the Lord convicting your heart?

Our Words Have Power: Choose Well!

Words of Life	Words of Death
Bridled as with a bit or rudder	Unbridled, Unrestrained
Bless the Lord	Curse Men
Encourage	Tear Down
Gentle	Harsh
Advocate	Adversarial
Few	Many
Wise	Foolish
Forgive	Cause Strife
Truth in love	Deceitful
Gracious	Angry
Humble	Prideful
A Well of Life	Violent

(There is also a lovely printable of this chart that you can print out as a reminder.)

1 Peter 2:21- 23 For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, 22 who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth; 23 and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously.

Consider memorizing 1 Peter 2:23 with your children to remind yourself of holding your words back while being “reviled.” God is your justifier.

Before you move back into your daily life, take some time to pray the following verse and keep these words on your tongue as you interact with those around you.

*Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
Be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my rock and my Redeemer.*

Psalm 19: 14