



The Words You Speak

Whether you are at home or at work, your words matter. They have the power to build or destroy, encourage or tear down. Scripture compares our tongue to a tiny flame that can set a whole forest ablaze. **James 3:5** Relationships, reputations and careers can be nurtured or destroyed with just a few words.

Here are seven bible verses to guide you in your speech at home or at work:

Ephesians 4:29

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

Colossians 4:6

Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

Proverbs 15:1-2

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. The tongue of the wise commends knowledge, but the mouths of fools pour out folly.

Ephesians 5:4

Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving.

Matthew 12:36

I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak,

Colossians 3:8

But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.

Proverbs 10:19

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

*May we measure our words carefully to encourage and build up one another, as well as glorify our Heavenly Father. **1 Corinthians 10:30***

