

LOVING WITH YOUR WORDS

It's All About Love - Part 3 of 6

James 3:2a (TEV) “All of us often make mistakes. But if a person never makes a mistake in what he says, he is perfect.”

- My mouth _____ where I go.
- My mouth _____ what I have.
- My mouth _____ who I really am.

Matthew 12:34 (NJB) “Words flow out of what fills the heart.”

Mark 7:15 (TLB) “Your souls aren’t harmed by what you eat, but by what you think and say!”

1. Love people with _____.

Ephesians 4:15a (NIV) “... speaking the truth in love...”

Proverbs 27:5 (NLT) “An open rebuke is better than hidden love!”

1 **Corinthians 13:6 (NIV)** “Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.”

2. Love people with _____.

Ephesians 4:26-27 (NIV) “In your anger do not sin. Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.”

Proverbs 16:28b (NIV) “A gossip separates close friends.”

Proverbs 21:23 (Msg) “Watch your words and hold your tongue; you’ll save yourself a lot of grief.”

3. Love people with _____.

Ephesians 4:29 (NIV) “Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs...”

THINK.

T – is it Truthful?

H – is it Helpful?

I – is it Inspirational?

N – is it Necessary?

K – is it Kind?

THIS WEEK I WILL CHOOSE:

Proverbs 12:25 (TEV) “Worry can rob you of happiness, but kind words will cheer you up.”

Proverbs 15:1 (NIV) “A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.”

Proverbs 16:21b (NIV) “Pleasant words promote instruction.”

Proverbs 24:26 “An honest answer is like a kiss on the lips.”

Proverbs 12:18 (TEV) “Thoughtless words can wound as deeply as any sword, but wisely spoken words can heal.”