

Words have the power to _____ and define our lives. WORDS CAN BUILD UP OR TEAR DOWN!

“Death and life *are* in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.” Proverbs 18:21

Using Words Wisely means engaging the _____ before you engage the _____.

“Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ forgave you.” Ephesians 4:29-32

- “So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God.” James 1:19, 20
- ““How long will you torment my soul, And break me in pieces with words?” Job 19:2
- Ps 19:14 Let the words of my mouth, & the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight...

Using Words Wisely is the _____ that Jesus taught about having faith in God.

“Now in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. And Peter, remembering, said to Him, “Rabbi, look! The fig tree which You cursed has withered away.” So Jesus answered and said to them, “Have faith in God. “For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. “Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive *them*, and you will have *them*.” Mk 11:22-24

“Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible.

- “A little faith will bring your soul to heaven; great faith will bring heaven to your soul.”
- “Faith, like muscle, grows strong with exercise.
- “Faith is the outstretched hand of the soul taking what Christ offers.”
- Mark 9:23: “All things are possible to him that believes.”

Using Words Wisely gives _____ to our lives and leads us to spiritual maturity.

“My brethren, let not many of you become teachers, knowing that we shall receive a stricter judgment. For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he *is* a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body. Indeed, we put bits in horses’ mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body. Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires. Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles!” James 3:1-5

- OUR WORDS CAN DIRECT US AND OTHERS IN LIFE: Bit, rudder

HOW TO WISELY USE TRUE WORDS OF FAITH

- **Believe that your words make a difference.** Heb 11:1
- **Associate with others who have great faith.** Rom. 1:12:
- **Boldly speak the Word of God. Speak to the circumstances of your life.**
- **Don’t just shut down your ship, use your rudder to guide you into blessing.**

Using Words Wisely transforms our lives and frames the _____ in which we live.

“But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith which we preach): that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.” Romans 10:8-10

- The reality you live in is relative to the belief of your heart and the confession of your mouth.
- Your inheritance is at stake. The word of His grace is able to grant it to you. Acts 20:32