



MESSAGE NOTES & DISCUSSION GUIDE WEEK 5 – POWER OF WORDS

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

Proverbs 12:18; 17:27; 10:19; 16:24; 12:25; 23:9; 15:23; 16:21; 18:8; 26:22; 27:6

WISDOM DEFINED

Wisdom is the _____ of what we _____ and _____
to be true

WISDOM FOR YOUR WORDS

- Wisdom is found more often in what _____ than what _____
- Use your words to _____, _____
- Do not _____ on a fool
- _____ you _____ and _____ you _____ it often determines how your _____ are _____
- Do everything in your power not to _____ because of your words

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Why do words leave such a lasting impact on people? How can we be more intentional about using words that bring healing rather than hurt?
2. Have you ever regretted something you said in the heat of the moment? What did you learn from that experience?
3. Proverbs 17:27 and 10:19 emphasize speaking with restraint. Why is holding our tongue often the wisest choice?
4. How can we practice self-control in our speech, especially in emotionally charged situations?
5. According to Proverbs 16:24 and 12:25, what effect do kind and gracious words have on others? How can we be more intentional about speaking encouragement into others' lives?
6. The sermon compared words to the tools of a swordsman vs. a surgeon. How can we ensure that our words "cut to heal" rather than "cut to harm"?
7. Proverbs 23:9 warns against speaking wisdom to fools. How do we determine when it's time to walk away from an argument?
8. How do we balance speaking truth while also being mindful of the timing and the audience?
9. Proverbs 27:6 teaches that "wounds from a friend can be trusted." How can we use wisdom to correct or challenge someone without damaging the relationship?