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Proverbs 18:20, From the fruit of their mouth a person's stomach is filled; with the harvest of their lips they are satisfied. 21 The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

The Beauty Of Good Words...

Proverbs 10:20, The tongue of the righteous is choice silver, but the heart of the wicked is of little value. 21 The lips of the righteous nourish many, but fools die for lack of sense.

Proverbs 16:24, Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.

Our Words Of Gossip, Lying And Ridicule Do Great <u>DAMAGE</u>

Proverbs 11:13, A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy person keeps a secret.

Proverbs 26:20, Without wood a fire goes out; without a gossip a quarrel dies down. 21 As charcoal to embers and as wood to fire, so is a quarrelsome person for kindling strife... 28 A lying tongue hates those it hurts, and a flattering mouth works ruin.

Proverbs 12:18, The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.

Who Do Words Negatively Impact?

-<u>YOU</u>

Proverbs 18:6, The lips of fools bring them strife, and their mouths

invite a beating.

Proverbs 13:3, Those who guard their lips preserve their lives, but those who speak rashly will come to ruin.

Proverbs 21:23, Those who guard their mouths and their tongues keep themselves from calamity.

-OTHERS

Proverbs 17:9, Whoever would foster love covers over an offense, but whoever repeats the matter separates close friends.

Proverbs 11:9, "With his mouth the godless man destroys his neighbor..."

Proverbs 16:28, A perverse person stirs up conflict, and a gossip separates close friends.

T.H.I.N.K Before You Say A Word:

T - Is It TRUE?

Proverbs 12:22, The Lord detests lying lips, but He delights in people who are trustworthy. 23 The prudent keep their knowledge to themselves, but a fool's heart blurts out folly.

Proverbs 10:18, Whoever conceals hatred with lying lips and spreads slander is a fool.

H - Is It HELPFUL?

Proverbs 25:12, Like an earring of gold or an ornament of fine gold is the rebuke of a wise judge to a listening ear.

Proverbs 15:1, A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

I - Is It IMPORTANT?

Proverbs 15:23, A person finds joy in giving an apt reply—and how good is a timely word! ... 28 The heart of the righteous weighs its answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes...

Proverbs 16:13, Kings take pleasure in honest lips; they value the one who speaks what is right.

N - Is It NECESSARY?

Proverbs 10:19, Sin is not ended by multiplying words, but the prudent hold their tongues.

Proverbs 17:27, The one who has knowledge uses words with restraint, and whoever has understanding is even-tempered. 28 Even fools are thought wise if they keep silent, and discerning if they hold their tongues.

K - Is It KIND?

Proverbs 12:25, Anxiety weighs down the heart, but a kind word cheers it up.

Proverbs 15:4, The soothing tongue is a tree of life, but a perverse tongue crushes the spirit.

One Week Challenge:

- -I Will Not Use My Tongue To Gossip, Insult, Slander Or Lie About Someone Else!
- -I Will Use My Tongue To Encourage, Praise, And Tell The Truth!
- -I Will T.H.I.N.K Before I Talk In Every Situation!