

Month 8 | Week 4
September 27, 2021

GENTLENESS

Peacemaker



Proverbs 15:1

“Respond gently when you are confronted and you’ll defuse the rage of another. Responding with sharp, cutting words will only make it worse. Don’t you know that being angry can ruin the testimony of even the wisest of men” (TPT)?

Devotional

Peace is a spiritual weapon to diffuse the enemy and His schemes. Gentle words and actions can defuse hostile situations and confrontations. “Let your gentle spirit [your graciousness, unselfishness, mercy, tolerance, and patience] be known to all people” (Philippians 4:5, AMP). In every relationship and situation, we should seek our gentle and loving nature and put it into action. Gentle words can also influence and change the minds of others. See Proverbs 25:15, “Use patience and kindness when you want to persuade leaders and watch them change their minds right in front of you. For your gentle wisdom will quell the strongest resistance” (TPT). Pretty powerful! Gentle words bring strength and power. The world-view depicts being gentle as meek or weak, which is a lie! Gentleness is the spirit of God and with it brings POWER and MIGHT!

Study

Proverbs has so many good nuggets; take time this week to meditate on Proverbs 16:24, “Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, Sweet and delightful to the soul and healing to the body” (AMP) and Proverbs 15:4, “A soothing tongue [speaking words that build up and encourage] is a tree of life, But a perverse tongue [speaking words that overwhelm and depress] crushes the spirit” (AMP).

Reflection & Action

- In what ways can you enact the role of Peacemaker this week?
- How can you use gentle words to influence those around you?



