

Your Words Matter

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1. Your Words Matter in Prayer

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"Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working."

James 5:16 ESV

Prayer isn't about a performance.

It's about honest, faith-filled communication with God.

"Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread," Matthew 6:10-11 ESV

God, if You want to heal my ankle..."

"God, if You want to help me with this addiction..."

"God, if You want to let us have children ..."

"God, I know You can heal."

"God, I trust You to restore."

"God, I believe You are working"

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We don't pray in fear—we pray in faith. Not because we're trying to manipulate God, but because we know who He is.

2. Your Words Matter When Giving Godly Advice

"Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person." Colossians 4:6 ESV

Our can words either bring them closer to Christ or push them further away

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"A person finds joy in giving an apt reply— and how good is a timely word!"

Proverbs 15:23 NIV

3. Your Words Matter in Everyday Conversation

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"Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear."

Ephesians 4:29 ESV

"I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak," Matthew 12:36 ESV

But here's the good news: when we speak with grace and wisdom, we become instruments of healing