



## Speech Therapy from Proverbs

### KEY VERSE

18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits.

### 1. DON'T SAY TOO MUCH

10:19 When words are many, transgression is not lacking, but whoever restrains his lips is prudent.

29:20 Do you see a man who is hasty in his words? There is more hope for a fool than for him.

18:13 If one gives an answer before he hears, it is his folly and shame.

18:6 A fool's lips walk into a fight, and his mouth invites a beating.

### 2. DON'T SAY TOO LITTLE

25:11 A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.

12:18 There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.

12:25 Anxiety in a man's heart weighs him down, but a good word makes him glad.

15:23 and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!

22:11 He who loves purity of heart, and whose speech is gracious, will have the king as his friend.

### 3. THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE SAYING

2:12 ... delivering you from the way of evil, from men of perverted speech.

4:24 Put away from you crooked speech, and put devious talk far from you.

26:28 A lying tongue hates its victims, and a flattering mouth works ruin.

12:19 Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

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

19:11 Good sense makes one slow to anger, and it is his glory to overlook an offense.

### 4. THINK ABOUT WHO YOU ARE SPEAKING TO

17:4 An evildoer listens to wicked lips, and a liar gives ear to a mischievous tongue.

23:9 Do not speak in the hearing of a fool, for he will despise the good sense of your words.

26:4 Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest you be like him yourself.

26:5 Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own eyes.

9:8 Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you.