

# **TALK 1**

## **Wisdom for Our Times: Words**

1. Matter of Life and Death (3:18, 15:4, 12:18)

2. Matter of How (10:8, 17:28, 13:3, 16:24, 11:9, 26:24-25, 25:11)

3. Matter of the Heart (10:20, 15:28, 16:21, Matt 15:18)

# Talk 1 Passages

Proverbs 3:18

She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her; those who hold her fast will be blessed.

Proverbs 15:4

The soothing tongue is a tree of life, but a perverse tongue crushes the spirit.

Proverbs 12:18

The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.

Proverbs 10:8

The wise in heart accept commands, but a chattering fool comes to ruin.

Proverbs 17:28

Even fools are thought wise if they keep silent, and discerning if they hold their tongues.

Proverbs 13:3

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

Proverbs 16:24

Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.

Proverbs 11:9

With their mouths the godless destroy their neighbors, but through knowledge the righteous escape.

Proverbs 26:24-25

Enemies disguise themselves with their lips, but in their hearts they harbor deceit. Though their speech is charming, do not believe them, for seven abominations fill their hearts.

Proverbs 25:11

Like apples of gold in settings of silver is a ruling rightly given.

Proverbs 10:20

The tongue of the righteous is choice silver, but the heart of the wicked is of little value.

Proverbs 15:28

The heart of the righteous weighs its answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes evil.

Proverbs 16:21

The wise in heart are called discerning, and gracious words promote instruction.

Matthew 15:18

But the things that come out of a person's mouth come from the heart, and these defile them.