

The Way of the Wise

Wise Words Do No Harm – Various Proverbs

From Genesis to today, there's been a war of words—between truth and lies, wisdom and folly, life and death. Proverbs calls us to guard our speech because our words reveal our hearts. Only Jesus, the Word made flesh, can give us new hearts and make our words instruments of peace.

The War of Words (12:19; 25:18)

The Danger of Words

Lies and Half-Truths (19:5; 21:6)

Gossip and Slander (20:19; 17:9)

Reacting and Venting (29:11; 17:27)

Boasting and Self-Promotion (27:2; 25:27)

The Wisdom of Silence (10:19; 21:23; 29:20; 18:13)

The Source of Words (16:23; 26:23-36)

Words of Peace (Hebrews 1:1-2; John 1:1, 14)

Reflection and Action: Who needs to receive your words of encouragement, thanks, and/or apology this week?