

# WISING UP IN RELATIONSHIPS!

## Happy Mother's Day!

Various Scriptures

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### Bottom Line:

The way we communicate with one another in marriages, families, and friendships should reflect the principles of God's Word and our commitment to follow Christ!

**Wisdom:** The practical application of God's Word in our daily lives. Components of wisdom include:

- 1) Rightly discern the problem.
- 2) Identify biblical solutions.
- 3) Faithfully implement those solutions in the most effective way.

1. Remember the powerful \_\_\_\_\_ your words will have in the lives of others! Proverbs 18:2;

A. Godly speech will cultivate a life that is \_\_\_\_\_.  
Proverbs 12:22

B. Godly speech will lead to \_\_\_\_\_ relationships.  
Proverbs 12:18

C. Godly speech will minimize opportunities for SIN in your life.  
Proverbs 17:20; 13:3

2. Respond faithfully to \_\_\_\_\_ comments or circumstances in a way that \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord.  
James 1:26

A. Refrain from a \_\_\_\_\_, immediate, emotional response. (James 1:19) A quick, emotional response....

1) Will escalate the problem.

2) Will elevate emotions.

3) Will distract from the real issue.

4) Will leave a negative memory.

B. Become an excellent \_\_\_\_\_.  
Proverbs 18:13

1) Patiently probe to clearly define the issue/concern.

2) Humbly seek to understand how the concern originated.

3) Empathetically allow the other person to "vent" without feeling a need to retaliate/win.

C. \_\_\_\_\_ your words through the principles of God's Word. Proverbs 10:32

D. Learn to \_\_\_\_\_ your speech when tempted to say something ungodly. Proverbs 10:19

3. Realize the importance of positively, intentionally \_\_\_\_\_ others with your words! Proverbs 8:6-8

A. Wise people speak edifying and \_\_\_\_\_ words. Proverbs 12:25

B. Wise people speak \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ words. Proverbs 15:1