

A Spiritual Indicator

There is a phrase magicians have used for years: “abracadabra”

Interestingly enough there's a Hebrew phrase: “*ebra k'dabri*”

Translated means, “I will _____ as I speak.”
[Erwin Ralph McManus]
(*The Seven Frequencies of Communication*)

There is a great reality that words create...

Pictures, Moods, Emotions, Images and _____.

God created the universe by speaking!

Solomon's book of Proverbs is known for its emphasis on wisdom, but from chapter ten on, there is a lot to say about the positives and negatives of _____.

Solomon uses many words in describing communication, but there are three that seem to be picturesque.

Mouth ~ is a **C**_____ for words

The words of the mouth are deep waters, ... Proverbs 18:4

Tongue ~ **C**_____ // Shapes // Aims

The words of the reckless pierce like swords, ... Proverbs 12:18

Lips ~ **C**_____ out words with power

From the fruit of their lips people are filled with good things, ... Proverbs 12:14.

In chapter 10 of Proverbs Solomon shifts from Wisdom to Righteousness.

_____ is a key indicator of one's spiritual condition.

Optional Readings:

WISDOM and RIGHTEOUSNESS go together!
Psalm 1, 14, 37, 73, 112, 128 Proverbs 1-10

Our conversations . . .

F_____ from the condition of our heart.

V.. 11-12

The mouths of the righteous utter wisdom,
and their tongues speak what is just. Psalm 37:30

come from the F_____ of our mind.

V.. 13-14 & 17-19

You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires;²³ to be made new in the attitude of your minds;²⁴ and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness. Ephesians 4:22-24
[Isaiah 26:3 Romans 8:6]

can F_____ others with love, hope, & truth.

V.. 20-21

The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue,
to know the word that sustains the weary.
He wakens me morning by morning,
wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed.
Isaiah 50:4

can find F_____ with God.

V.. 31-32

Whoever would love life and see good days must keep their tongue from evil and their lips from deceitful speech. ¹¹ They must turn from evil and do good; they must seek peace and pursue it. ¹² For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.
1 Peter 3:10-12 (*Psalm 34:12-14*)

But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken.
³⁷ For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned.” Matt. 12:36-37