

What Does the Bible Say?

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Words Can Be Dangerous!

The Bible says that words can be so destructive that they are compared to a forest fire originating from Hell. "Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell." (James 3:5-6) How can we keep from doing damage with our words? What does the Bible say?

- **Do Not Lie.** "Therefore, putting away lying, 'Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,' for we are members of one another." (Ephesians 4:25) Always tell the truth!
- **Do Not Use Filthy Language.** "But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth." (Colossians 3:8) Eliminate cussing, cursing, and taking the Lord's name in vain.
- **Do Not Gossip.** "Where there is no wood, the fire goes out; and where there is no talebearer, strife ceases." (Proverbs 26:20) Neither speak nor listen to gossip.
- **Do Not Be A False Teacher.** "But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, and bring on themselves swift destruction." (2 Peter 2:1) Teach the truth and never follow a false teacher.

Have a Bible question or comment?

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