



*“Wisdom is found on the lips of the discerning....” (Pr. 10:13a)*

*“A fool’s lips lead to strife....” (Pr. 18:6a)*

1) DON'T \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Death and life are in the power of the tongue....” (Pr. 18:21a)*

*“There is one who speaks rashly, like the thrusts of a sword; but the tongue of the wise brings healing.” (Pr. 12:18, NASB)*

*“With his mouth the ungodly destroys his neighbor....” (Pr. 11:9a, also 12:6)*

*“A person giving false testimony against his neighbor is like a club, a sword, or a sharp arrow.” (Pr. 25:18)*

2) DON'T let your \_\_\_\_\_ be your \_\_\_\_\_.

*“A fool’s mouth is his devastation, and his lips are a trap for his life.” (Pr. 18:7)*

*“An evil man is ensnared by the transgression of his lips, but the righteous will escape from trouble.” (Pr. 12:13, NASB)*

*“The one who guards his mouth and tongue keeps himself out of trouble.” (Pr. 21:23)*

*“The proud speech of a fool brings a rod of discipline, but the lips of the wise protect them.” (Pr. 14:3)*

*“A fool’s lips lead to strife, and his mouth provokes a beating.” (Pr. 18:6)*

3) DON'T \_\_\_\_\_ - always \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Lying lips are detestable to the Lord, but faithful people are his delight.” (Pr. 12:22, also Pr. 6:16-17)*

*“For my mouth tells the truth, and wickedness is detestable to my lips.” (Pr. 8:7)*

*“Whoever speaks the truth declares what is right....” (Pr. 12:17a)*

*“Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue, only a moment.” (Pr. 12:19)*

*“...don’t deceive with your lips.” (Pr. 24:28b)*

4) DON'T \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ up \_\_\_\_\_.

*“A worthless person digs up evil, and his speech is like a scorching fire. A contrary person spreads conflict, and a gossip separates close friends.” (Pr. 16:27-28)*

*“The words of a gossip are like dainty morsels, and they go down into the innermost parts of the body.” (Pr. 18:8, NASB)*

*“Whoever shows contempt for his neighbor lacks sense, but a person with understanding keeps silent. A gossip goes around revealing a secret, but a trustworthy person keeps a confidence.” (Pr. 11:12-13)*

*“Whoever conceals an offense promotes love, but whoever gossips about it separates friends.” (Pr. 17:9)*

*“The one who conceals hatred has lying lips, and whoever spreads slander is a fool.” (Prov. 10:18)*

*“For lack of wood the fire goes out. And where there is no whisperer, contention quiets down. Like charcoal to hot embers and wood to fire, so is a contentious man to kindle strife.” (Pr. 26:20-21, NASB)*

5) DON'T \_\_\_\_\_ another person's \_\_\_\_\_.

*“A person who is passing by and meddles in a quarrel that’s not his is like one who grabs a dog by the ears.” (Pr. 26:17)*

6) DON'T \_\_\_\_\_ or manipulate -- be \_\_\_\_\_.

*“A person who flatters his neighbor spreads a net for his feet.” (Pr. 29:5)*

*“Smooth lips with an evil heart are like glaze on an earthen vessel. A hateful person disguises himself with his speech and harbors deceit within. When he speaks graciously, don’t believe him, for there are seven detestable things in his heart. Though his hatred is concealed by deception, his evil will be revealed in the assembly. The one who digs a pit will fall into it, and whoever rolls a stone—it will come back on him. A lying tongue hates those it crushes, and a flattering mouth causes ruin.” (Pr. 26:23-28)*

*“With her many persuasions she entices him; with her flattering lips she seduces him.” (Pr. 7:21)*

*“One who rebukes a person will later find more favor than one who flatters with his tongue.” (Pr. 28:23)*

7) DON'T \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of his gifts falsely.” (Pr. 25:14, NASB)*

*“Let another praise you, and not your own mouth—a stranger, and not your own lips.” (Pr. 27:2)*

8) **DON'T** \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ or be \_\_\_\_\_.

*“A gentle answer turns away anger, but a harsh word stirs up wrath....  
A hot-tempered person stirs up conflict, but one slow to anger calms strife.”  
(Pr. 15:1,18)*

*“A fool gives full vent to his anger, but a wise person holds it in check.”  
(Pr. 29:11)*

*“To start a conflict is to release a flood; stop the dispute before it breaks out.” (Pr. 17:14)*

*“The one who has knowledge restrains his words, and one who keeps a cool head is a person of understanding.” (Pr. 17:27)*

*“Honor belongs to the person who ends a dispute, but any fool can get himself into a quarrel.” (Pr. 20:3)*

*“As charcoal for embers and wood for fire, so is a quarrelsome person for kindling strife.” (Pr. 26:21)*

*“A ruler can be persuaded through patience, and a gentle tongue can break a bone.” (Pr 25:15)*

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1) **DO** \_\_\_\_\_ before you \_\_\_\_\_.

*“The mind of the righteous person thinks before answering, but the mouth of the wicked blurts out evil things.” (Pr 15:28)*

*“The one who gives an answer before he listens—this is foolishness and disgrace for him.” (Pr. 18:13)*

*“The wise of heart will receive commands, but a babbling fool will come to ruin.” (Pr. 10:8)*

*“Do you see a man who is hasty in his words? There is more hope for a fool than for him.” (Pr. 29:20, NASB)*

2) **DO** \_\_\_\_\_ your words \_\_\_\_\_.

*“The tongue of the wise makes knowledge attractive, but the mouth of fools blurts out foolishness.” (Pr. 15:2)*

*“The lips of the righteous know what is appropriate, but the mouth of the wicked, only what is perverse.” (Pr. 10:32)*

*“A person finds joy in giving an apt reply—and how good is a timely word!  
(Pr. 15:23, NIV)*

*“Like apples of gold in settings of silver is a word spoken in right circumstances. Like an earring of gold and an ornament of fine gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear.” (Pr. 25:11-12, NASB)*

3) **DO** \_\_\_\_\_ through your words.

*“The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life....” (Pr. 10:11a)*

*“Anxiety in a person’s heart weighs it down, but a good word cheers it up.”  
(Pr. 12:25)*

*“Oil and perfume make the heart glad, and a person’s advice is sweet to his friend.” (Pr. 27:9, NASB)*

*“Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.” (Pr. 16:24, NASB)*

*“The tongue that heals is a tree of life, but a devious tongue breaks the spirit.”  
(Pr. 15:4)*

*“The lips of the righteous feed many....” (Pr. 10:21a)*

4) **DO** be careful \_\_\_\_\_ what you say.

*“A gentle answer turns away anger, but a harsh word stirs up wrath.” (Pr. 15:1)*

*“The wise in heart will be called discerning, and sweetness of speech increases persuasiveness.” (Pr. 16:21, NASB)*

5) **DO** know when to say \_\_\_\_\_.

*“When there are many words, transgression is unavoidable, but he who restrains his lips is wise.” (Pr. 10:19, NASB)*

*“The one who guards his mouth protects his life; the one who opens his lips invites his own ruin.” (Pr. 13:3)*

*“Even a fool is considered wise when he keeps silent—discerning, when he seals his lips.” (Pr. 17:28)*

*“If one blesses his neighbor with a loud voice early in the morning, it will be counted as a curse to him.” (Pr. 27:14)*

6) **DO** keep your \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ right with God.

*“Guard your heart above all else, for it is the source of life. Don’t let your mouth speak dishonestly, and don’t let your lips talk deviously.” (Pr. 4:23-24)*

*“The heart of a wise person instructs his mouth; it adds learning to his speech.” (Pr. 16:23)*

*JESUS: “How can you speak good things when you are evil? For the mouth speaks from the overflow of the heart.” (Matt. 12:34)*

*“The mouth of the righteous flows with wisdom....” (Pr. 10:31a, NASB)*

*“May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, Lord, my rock and my Redeemer.” (Ps. 19:4)*