

SMALL THINGS BIG DIFFERENCE WORDS

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REWIND:

DONT THINK SUCCESS BY A SILVER BULLET. THINK VICTORY BY A THOUSAND PAPER CUTS.

THE SMALL THINGS NO ONE SEES LEAD TO THE BIG THINGS EVERYONE WANTS.

WORDS ARE POWERFUL. THEY ARE RARELY NEUTRAL. THEY EITHER GIVE LIFE OR THEY TAKE LIFE AWAY.

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits.
PROVERBS 18:21

3 If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. 4 Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. 5 So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. **JAMES 3:3-5**

There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. **PROVERBS 12:18**

A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit. **PROVERBS 15:4**

LIFE-GIVING WORDS:

1) SPEAK WHAT IS TRUE. LIFE-GIVING WORDS ARE NOT UNTRUE WORDS.

Righteous lips are the delight of a king, and he loves him who speaks what is right.
PROVERBS 16:13

2) WE POSESS WHAT WE CONFESS.

Danger Zone:

"You always..."

"I can't..."

"You'll never..."

Encouragement Zone:

"I believe in you..."

"I see in you..."

"I can..."

3) SPEAK WHAT IS HELPFUL, NOT WHAT IS HARMFUL.

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. **EPHESIANS 4:29**

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. **GALATIANS 6:1**

Faithful are the wounds of a friend; profuse are the kisses of an enemy. **PROVERBS 27:6**

3) IF YOU CAN SPEAK LIFE—SPEAK IT!

Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body. **PROVERBS 16:24**

And David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because all the people were bitter in soul, each for his sons and daughters. But David strengthened himself in the Lord his God. **1 SAMUEL 30:6**