

Notes for Sunday August 23, 2026

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Message Title: THE POWER OF YOUR WORDS

Main Scripture Text

- 1) Proverbs 18:21 “Death and Life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.
- 2) James 3:1-12 Compares the tongue to things like a horse bit or ships rudder. Small, yet able to steer mighty animals and vessels.
- 3) Ephesians 4:29 “Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.”

Reference Texts

Genesis 1:3 Then God said, “Let there be light.” And there was light. The rest of the creation story is explained in Genesis 1:4-31.

Proverbs 18:21 “Death and Life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.”

Proverbs 12:18 “There is one who speaks like the piercings of a sword, but the tongue of the wise promotes health.”

Luke 6:45 “A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of his heart his mouth speaks.”

Ephesians 4:29 "Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers."

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the thoughts that I think towards you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not evil, to give you a future and a hope."

James 3:7-8 "For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison."

James 1:19-20 "So then my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; For the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God."

Psalms 141:3 "Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips."

John 1:14 "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

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