

COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY IN OUR EVERYDAY RELATIONSHIPS PART 4

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- The quality of our relationships will determine the quality of our _____.
- With God's help, we can improve our ability to communicate the truth, yet in a spirit of love.

"But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ." Ephesians 4:15

Fourth, stop the _____ of poisonous words. Vs. 17

- The Greek word for "canker" is where we get our English word "gangrene."
- Gangrene is when blood isn't getting to tissue in a certain part of your body and the tissue begins to _____.
- Paul said that there were certain people in the church whose conversation was like gangrene. It was poisonous.
- Let's examine some things are are poisonous to good conversation.

1. Using conversation to _____ each other.

"Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers." Ephesians 4:29

- Never use _____ punishment - nobody is the winner, and there is never a cause for that.

2. Using conversation to _____ agreement to your way of thinking. James 1:19

3. Dwelling on _____, past or present.

“Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before.” **Philippians 3:13**

• Now let’s look at the friends of good conversation.

1. Give to others your undivided _____.

1 Peter 3:8

- The Bible says to be compassionate, loving, tender-hearted, and courteous.

2. _____ to what the other person says. **1 Peter 3:7**

3. Respect the other person’s _____. **1 Peter 3:7**

4. Always speak with _____ and kindness. **Proverbs 15:1, Colossians 3:8, 12-14**

5. Use compliments _____.

• Every one of us wants healthy relationships, but they simply will not be healthy if our communication is poisonous.

Let’s all commit to using _____ communication skills in 2019!