

*A wise man's heart guides his mouth, and his lips promote instruction. Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones. Proverbs 16:23-24 (NIV)*

## **Speak My Words**

**Do you want to be able to speak pleasant words? Do you want to speak words that are sweet to the soul and healing to the bones? Do you want your words to give words of instruction that come from me? Don't be quick to answer these questions of mine. First, take an inventory of the words that have already been coming out of your mouth. How would you describe the words that have been coming out of your mouth?** My words have not always been pleasant I can tell you that for sure. My words have not always been sweet to the soul and healing to the bones. Far from it, at times I have spoken words that have stirred up strife and created conflict. Some of my words have been sarcastic and cutting like a knife. I know that I have spoken words that have torn others down rather than built them up. I have gotten caught up in the heat of battle and spoken words that I deeply regret. I have had to turn from my wicked words. I have had to repent and ask for forgiveness for the words that came out of my mouth. I will ask you for forgiveness right now for the unhelpful and unhealthy words that have come out of my mouth. **You have my forgiveness.** Now can I answer your questions? **Yes, go ahead and answer my questions.** I will simply say that I want to speak words that come from you. I want to speak words that are pleasant and sweet and healing to all that hear them. **That will be very good.**

How can I leave my old thoughts and words behind so I can speak your words? **You have asked a very good question.** Why is that? **Your question contains a part of your answer.** How so? **You will need to leave your old thoughts behind if you ever want to be able to speak my words. You may think that you have a problem with your words. Your real problem is with your heart and mind. The words of your mouth will always reveal the condition of your heart and mind. If you want to be able to speak my words, then you must allow me to change your heart and transform your mind.** I want you to change my heart. I want you to transform my mind. How will you do that? **Let my words dwell in you richly. Consider carefully all that I am saying to you. Put my words into practice. My words will change your heart and transform your mind and allow you to speak words that are pleasant and sweet and healing to all that hear them. Will you allow my word to dwell in you richly so that it will change your heart and transform your mind?** Yes Lord, I will. **Then you will be able to speak my words.**

*Lord, only you can change my heart so that the words of my mouth and the actions of my life are pleasing to you. Change me so that I will be able to speak wise, sweet and pleasant words of instruction and healing to others. Amen*

**Mouth** *Wise Man's Heart Guides*

A wise man's heart guides his mouth, and his lips promote instruction. Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.

NIV Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *Heart Of The Wise*

The heart of the wise makes his speech judicious and adds persuasiveness to his lips. Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body.

ESV Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *From A Wise Mind*

From a wise mind comes wise speech; the words of the wise are persuasive. Kind words are like honey—sweet to the soul and healthy for the body.

NLT Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *The Heart Of The Wise*

The heart of the wise teaches his mouth, And adds learning to his lips. Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, Sweetness to the soul and health to the bones.

NKJV Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *The Mind Of The Wise*

The mind of the wise makes their speech judicious, and adds persuasiveness to their lips. Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body.

NRSV Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *These Wise Folks*

They make a lot of sense, these wise folks; whenever they speak, their reputation increases. Gracious speech is like clover honey—good taste to the soul, quick energy for the body.

MSG Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *The Mind Of The Wise*

The mind of the wise instructs his mouth, and adds learning and persuasiveness to his lips. Pleasant words are as a honeycomb, sweet to the mind and healing to the body.

AMP Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *From A Wise Mind*

From a wise mind comes careful and persuasive speech. Kind words are like honey—enjoyable and healthful.

TLB Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *The Heart Of The Wise*

The heart of the wise instructs his mouth And adds persuasiveness to his lips. Pleasant words are a honeycomb, Sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.

NASB Proverbs 16:23-24

**Mouth** *Wise People's Minds*

Wise people's minds tell them what to say, and that helps them be better teachers. Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, making people happy and healthy.

NCV Proverbs 16:23-24



**Journal**

*As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord*

**What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?**

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

**What Prayers Are You Praying Today?**

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

**Prayer Of Blessing**

*(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)*

*May the condition of your heart allow you to speak sweet, wise and pleasant words of healing and instruction.*

---

---

---

---

**Prayer To Carry**

*(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)*

*Lord, help the condition of my heart to speak sweet, wise and pleasant words of healing and instruction.*

---

---

---

---

**What Do You Want To Remember About Today?**

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

**A Question To Ask God**

*(What Would You Like To Ask God?)*

*Lord, what sweet, wise and pleasant words of healing and instruction can I speak for you today?*

---

---

---

---