

LIVE LIKE YOU WERE DYING – Pt. 2

“Speak Sweeter”

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Proverbs 18:21 *“The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.”*

James 3:9-10 *“Sometimes it praises our Lord and Father, and sometimes it breaks out into curses against those who have been made in the image of God. [10] And so blessing and cursing come pouring out of the same mouth. Surely, my brothers and sisters, this is not right!”*

THREE WAYS TO SPEAK SWEETER

1. Appreciate People

Col. 2:7b *“...Let your lives overflow with thanksgiving for all he has done.”*

1 Thess. 5:18 *“No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.”*

- Say “thanks” to people that serve you
- Say “thanks” to the people that shaped you

2. Encourage People

1 Thess. 5:11 *“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”*

Luke 24:51 *“While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven.”*

Proverbs 16:24 *“Kind words are like honey—sweet to the soul and healthy for the body.”*

Hebrews 3:13 *“But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.”*

3. Pray for People

Hebrews 4:16 *“So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it.”*

Exodus 28:29-30 [29] *“Whenever Aaron enters the Holy Place, he will bear the names of the sons of Israel over his heart on the breastpiece of decision as a continuing memorial before the Lord. [30] Also put the Urim and the Thummim in the breastpiece, so they may be over Aaron's heart whenever he enters the presence of the Lord. Thus Aaron will always bear the means of making decisions for the Israelites over his heart before the Lord.”*

Ephes. 6:18 *“Pray at all times and on every occasion in the power of the Holy Spirit. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all Christians everywhere.”*

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