

B. Frequently _____
your spouse.

*Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that
ordereth his conversation aright will I shew the salvation
of God. PSALM 50:23*

C. Practice the _____.

CONCLUSION: _____

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LESSON 2: SYNERGISTIC COMMUNICATION

*For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word,
the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body.
Behold, we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and
we turn about their whole body.*

*Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven
of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm,
whithersoever the governor listeth.*

*Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things.
Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!*

*And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among
our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the
course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.*

*For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things
in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind:*

*But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly
poison.*

*Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we
men, which are made after the similitude of God. JAMES 3:2-9*

INTRODUCTION: _____

1.  NEVER _____
YOUR SPOUSE

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

Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof. PROVERBS 18:21

THE BOOK OF PROVERBS SAYS THE TONGUE CAN:

- Be a burning fire.
An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire. PROVERBS 16:27
- Separate friends.
A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends. PROVERBS 16:28
- Expose secrets.
He that goeth about as a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips. PROVERBS 20:19
- Cause deep emotional wounds.
The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly. PROVERBS 26:22
- Work ruin.
A lying tongue hateth those that are afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin. PROVERBS 26:28
- Encourage immorality.
With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him. PROVERBS 7:21
- Destroy a neighbor.
An hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered. PROVERBS 11:9



2. _____ YOUR SPOUSE

DEFINITION: “Edify” means to build up

A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit. PROVERBS 15:4

The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out. PROVERBS 10:31

The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish doeth not so. PROVERBS 15:7

The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom. PROVERBS 10:21

Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones. PROVERBS 16:24

Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad. PROVERBS 12:25

There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health. PROVERBS 12:18



3. MINISTER _____ TO YOUR SPOUSE

The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself. ECCLESIASTES 10:12

Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man. COLOSSIANS 4:6



4. SPEAK THE _____ IN LOVE

A. Look for the _____ in your spouse.

A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver. PROVERBS 25:11

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. PHILIPPIANS 4:8

For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honeycomb, and her mouth is smoother than oil: But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword. Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell. PROVERBS 5:3-4