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B. Refuse to _____ without listening

Proverbs 18:13

¹³ He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.

Proverbs 20:5

⁵ Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.

C. Be _____ at the right moment

D. Affirm _____ love and acceptance

E. Ask good _____

James 1:19

¹⁹ Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

Conclusion: _____

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SPEAKING WITH GRACE

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Colossians 4:6

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

Introduction: _____

1. _____

Proverbs 17:27

²⁷ He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit.

A. Restrained speech is _____ speech

Ecclesiastes 9:17

¹⁷ The words of wise men are heard in quiet more than the cry of him that ruleth among fools.

QUOTE: "Shouting puts emotion in the foreground and meaning in the background."—Tedd Tripp

Proverbs 25:28

²⁸ He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

B. Restrained speech does not use many _____

Ecclesiastes 6:11

¹¹ Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what is man the better?

Proverbs 10:19

¹⁹ In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.

C. Restrained speech thinks _____
and speaks _____

Proverbs 15:28

²⁸ The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things.

Proverbs 29:20

²⁰ Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? there is more hope of a fool than of him.

Proverbs 15:23

²³ A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!

2. Pleasant _____

Proverbs 16:21

²¹ The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.

A. Pleasant words promote _____

Proverbs 16:23-24

²³ The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips. ²⁴ Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

Proverbs 15:2

² The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.

B. Pleasant words prevent _____

Proverbs 10:11

¹¹ The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

Proverbs 10:21

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

Proverbs 25:11

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

Ecclesiastes 10:12

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

3. _____

Proverbs 18:2

² A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

A. Delight in _____ your children

Practical ways to listen and understand:

- Look in their eyes
- Turn your phone off
- Turn the TV off (limit distractions)
- Do not interrupt
- Repeat what they say
- Ask them if this is what they mean
- Thank them for talking with you!