



The words of a whisperer are like dainty morsels, and they go down into the innermost parts of the body. - Proverbs 18:8

GOSSIP DEFINED

When you're talking about a situation with someone who is not a part of the problem or a part of the solution then you're probably gossiping.

GOSSIP DISECTED

1. The Root Of Gossip

He who conceals a transgression seeks love, But he who repeats a matter separates intimate friends. - Proverbs 17:9

- Gossip is a lack of _____ for others.

Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins. - 1 Peter 4:8

2. The Bible On Gossip

'You shall not go about as a slanderer among your people, and you are not to act against the life of your neighbor; I am the LORD. - Leviticus 19:16

If anyone thinks himself to be religious, and yet does not bridle his tongue but deceives his *own* heart, this man's religion is worthless. - James 1:26

GOSSIP DEFEATED

1. _____ Your _____

Ask: "Is this conversation _____ or _____?"

A worthless man digs up evil, While his words are like scorching fire. A perverse man spreads strife, And a slanderer separates intimate friends. - Proverbs 16:27-28

Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a *word* as is good for edification according to the need *of the moment*, so that it will give grace to those who hear. - Ephesians 4:29

2. Guard The _____ Of Others

Don't make another person's _____ matters _____.

He who despises his neighbor lacks sense, But a man of understanding keeps silent. ¹³ He who goes about as a talebearer reveals secrets, But he who is trustworthy conceals a matter. - Proverbs 11:12–13

3. Refuse To _____ To Gossip

- _____ **from gossipers**

He who goes about as a slanderer reveals secrets, Therefore do not associate with a gossip. - Proverbs 20:19

- _____ **others to gossip around you**

For lack of wood the fire goes out, And where there is no whisperer, contention quiets down. - Proverbs 26:20

An evildoer listens to wicked lips; A liar pays attention to a destructive tongue. - Proverbs 17:4

***What you _____ you _____.**

- _____ **for Holy Spirit** _____

“And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment” - John 16:8

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit. - Proverbs 18:21

Let's speak _____!