

Wise Words

^{NIV} Proverbs 30:5-6 ⁵ "Every word of God is flawless; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him. ⁶ Do not add to his words, or he will rebuke you and prove you a liar.

Foolish Words

1. Abstain from _____.

The _____

The words of a whisperer are like dainty morsels, And they go down into the innermost parts of the body. ^{NAU} Proverbs 26:22

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

A perverse man sows strife, And a whisperer separates the best of friends. ^{NKJ} Proverbs 16:28

The _____

A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy man keeps a secret. ^{NIV} Proverbs 11:13

A gossip betrays a confidence; so avoid a man who talks too much. ^{NIV} Proverbs 20:19

2. Avoid using _____ words.

A gentle answer turns away wrath, But a harsh word stirs up anger. ^{NIV} Proverbs 15:1

3. Abhor _____ words.

¹⁶ There are six things the LORD hates, seven that are detestable to him: ¹⁷ haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, ¹⁸ a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, ¹⁹ a false witness who pours out lies and a man who stirs up dissension among brothers. NIV Proverbs 6:16-19

Wise Words

1. _____ before you speak.

The heart of the righteous ponders how to answer, But the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things. NAU Proverbs 15:28

The heart of the wise instructs his mouth And adds persuasiveness to his lips. NAU Proverbs 16:23

A man of knowledge uses words with restraint, and a man of understanding is even-tempered. ²⁸ Even a fool is thought wise if he keeps silent, and discerning if he holds his tongue.

NIV Proverbs 17:27

2. _____ the _____ nature of love.

He who covers over an offense promotes love, but whoever repeats the matter separates close friends. NIV Proverbs 17:9

3. _____ faith in God's _____.

A man finds joy in giving an apt reply-- and how good is a timely word! NIV Proverbs 15:23

Pleasant words are a honeycomb, Sweet to the soul and healing to the bones. NIV Proverbs 16:24

A cheerful look brings joy to the heart, and good news gives health to the bones. NIV Proverbs 15:30