

Take 5

WITH
PASTOR MIKE



A DAILY MOMENT.
GOD'S TRUTH.
LASTING IMPACT.



A MINISTRY OF HEARTSWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

WEEK EIGHT • WISDOM FOR THE WAY



FRIDAY



KEY TRUTH

Wise words
communicate truth in
a way that calms
unnecessary conflict
rather than feeding it.

Wisdom in Our Words

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE (KJV)

Proverbs 15:1

*"A soft answer turneth
away wrath: but
grievous words stir up
anger."*

Good Morning!

Words can lower the temperature of a conversation or pour fuel upon it. Proverbs places responsibility upon the spirit of our response.

A soft answer is not weak, dishonest, or afraid. It can speak necessary truth while refusing the harshness that makes anger grow.

Grievous words may win a moment and wound a relationship. Tone, timing, and motive matter alongside the facts we intend to communicate.

Pause before answering today. Ask whether your words are true, necessary, gracious, and well timed. Let wisdom choose the tone. A Spirit-controlled response may open a door that anger would have closed.



TAKE FIVE CHALLENGE

Take five intentional minutes today.

- 1 Read Proverbs 15:1-4.
- 2 Pause before one difficult response.
- 3 Remove one harsh phrase from your words.
- 4 Spend five minutes asking for a guarded tongue.
- 5 Use your words to calm and encourage.



SONG FOR THE JOURNEY

"O for a Heart to Praise My God"
— Charles Wesley



A heart governed by Christ produces words marked by truth, purity, grace, and praise.



SHARE THE BLESSING

Use a calm, sincere word to repair tension or encourage someone who has received too much criticism.



PRAYER

Lord, set a guard over my mouth and wisdom within my heart. Keep me from harsh, careless, or prideful speech. Help me speak truth with grace, choose the right timing, and use words that calm conflict and strengthen others. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Walking with you in Christ,

Pastor Mike

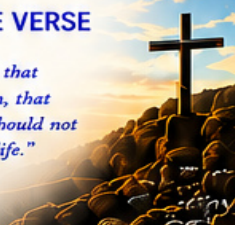
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Doing God's work, God's way,
in Jesus' name!

THE GOSPEL IN ONE VERSE

*"For God so loved the world, that
he gave his only begotten Son, that
whosoever believeth in him should not
perish, but have everlasting life."*

John 3:16 (KJV)



PASTOR MIKE'S THOUGHT

Wisdom is often heard in the tone we choose before it is recognized in the words we speak.



TOMORROW'S TAKE FIVE

Week Eight • Saturday • Walk Carefully
• Ephesians 5:15-16 (KJV)



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