

A Ministry of Heartsway Baptist Church

WEEK ELEVEN • THE POWER OF ENCOURAGEMENT | THURSDAY

Words That Give Life

Key Truth

Gracious words can bring sweetness to the soul and strength to a wounded heart.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE (KJV)

Proverbs 16:24

"Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones."

Good Morning!

Good morning! Words carry remarkable power. A careless sentence can remain painful for years, while a gracious word can arrive like medicine to a tired soul.

Proverbs compares pleasant words to honey: sweet, nourishing, and healing. Biblical encouragement is truthful, but truth should be spoken with grace, wisdom, and love.

Before speaking, ask whether your words are necessary, accurate, kind, and helpful. Correction may sometimes be needed, but even correction can be given in a way that seeks restoration rather than humiliation.

Use your voice intentionally today. Thank someone. Affirm what is good. Speak hope into fear. Remind a believer of God's promises. Let your conversation leave people stronger, not smaller, because they have been with you.
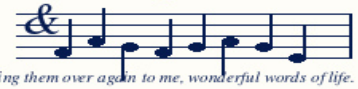
TAKE FIVE CHALLENGE

Take five intentional minutes today.

1. **Read Proverbs 16:24.**
2. **Pause before each important conversation.**
3. **Replace one complaint with gratitude.**
4. **Spend five minutes asking God to guide your words.**
5. **Speak one specific, life-giving sentence today.**

SONG FOR THE JOURNEY

"Wonderful Words of Life"
— Philip P. Bliss



Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life.

The words of Christ bring life, and His grace should shape every word we offer to others.

SHARE THE BLESSING

Write a short note of appreciation to someone whose faithfulness has blessed your life. Be specific about the difference they have made.



PRAYER

Father, place a guard over my mouth and grace within my heart. Forgive careless, critical, and discouraging words. Help me speak truth with love, offer hope to the fearful, and bring healing to wounded hearts. May my words reflect the kindness of Jesus. Amen.

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

Before words leave your mouth, give them this assignment: carry truth, show grace, and leave courage behind.

TOMORROW'S TAKE FIVE

Week Eleven • Friday • Stirring One Another to Love • Hebrews 10:24-25 (KJV)

Walking with you in Christ,
Pastor Mike
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