



THE COMMON SENSE TOUR

Msg. 9: Relational Common Sense

GOSSIP...TACT

I. INTRODUCTION: The Power Of The Tongue

- A. The tongue can bring _____ or _____!
Proverbs 18:21 (GW); James 3:2 (GNB)
- B. The tongue can bring destruction through _____!
James 3:5-6 (GW); James 3:9-10 (GW)
- C. What is Gossip?
 1. A person who habitually reveals personal or sensational facts about others. One who runs from house to house, tattling and telling news; an idle tattler.
 2. Gossip propagates _____: Proverbs 10:18 (GNB); 14:5; 14:25 (GNB)

II. THE DESTRUCTIVENESS OF GOSSIP:

- A. God _____ gossip (A lying tongue): Proverbs 6:16-19; 12:22
- B. Gossip _____ friendships: Proverbs 11:9; 16:27-28 (GNB); 17:9; 25:18 (GNB)
- C. Gossip attracts _____ and _____ hearts: Proverbs 17:4, 7; 17:20; I Corinthians 15:33 (BBE)
- D. Gossip ultimately _____ the gossiper: Proverbs 6:12-15 (BBE); 18:6-8 (GNB); 18:19; 19:9

III. THE ANTIDOTE FOR GOSSIP: A _____ TONGUE!

- A. The tongue of the Wise will _____ gossip: Proverbs 14:7; 20:19 (GW)

Practical Principle:

1. Listen Once: _____
 - Avoid details that are not your concern: Proverbs 26:17
 - Direct the offended or concerned person to the proper person to deal with the problem: Matthew 18:15-20

Practical Principle: Cont'd

2. Listen Twice: _____
 3. Repeat to Others: _____
- B. The tongue of the Wise _____ his words: Proverbs 10:19-21 (GW); 10:32; 13:3; 15:26, 28; 17:27-28; 29:20
 - C. The tongue of the Wise keeps _____: Proverbs 11:12-13; 12:23; 25:8-10 (GNB)
 - D. The tongue of the Wise brings forth _____: Proverbs 12:17-20; 15:4 (GNB); 16:23-24 (GNB); 25:11-12 (GW)
 - E. The tongue of the Wise will be _____! Proverbs 12:13-14 (BBE); 14:3 (GNB); 21:23 (BBE); 22:10-11 (GW)

