

"Sticks and stones may break my bones..."

We were told words shouldn't _____ us...that's impossible!

Three word pictures of the _____ of words:

- Words are like a ships _____...they _____ a life.
- Words are like _____...they have a _____ power.
- Words are like a _____...they _____ my heart.
"_____ that I may _____ thee."- Socrates

In this New Year, if we are going to _____ our words, we will need to change our _____ first.

■ **Resolve to love people with _____ words:**

- The Bible insists that we always link _____ and _____.
-We don't get to _____...it is to be _____.
- Notice and speak about the _____...good and bad.
-Silence when they are wandering is _____.
-Silence when they are walking in truth is _____.
- Honesty _____ with me and my _____.

■ **Resolve to love people with _____ words:**

- Avoid _____ words.
- Avoid saying the "_____ " thing to the _____ person.
- Avoid _____ words.
-Say what _____ to be said...not _____.
-Rely completely on the _____ to filter.

■ **Resolve to love people with _____ words:**

- Do my words _____ or _____?
- Are my words _____ or _____?
- _____ before you speak:
 - _ is it _____?
 - _ is it _____?
 - _ is it _____?
 - _ is it _____?
 - _ is it _____?

Let's resolve to let God transform our hearts so our words are:



Uniting in Jesus. Growing in Him. Showing His love.



TO THE LOVED, A WORD OF AFFECTION IS A MORSEL;
BUT TO THE LOVE-STARVED, A WORD OF AFFECTION CAN BE A FEAST.

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**Watch the way you talk.
Let nothing foul or dirty come
out of your mouth.
Say only what helps,
each word a gift.**

Ephesians 4:29 (Message)