



WHEN THE AXE IS SHARP IN OUR LIFE, WE ARE MORE EFFECTIVE. WHEN THE AXE HEAD GETS DULL, WE GET LESS DONE WITH TWICE THE EFFORT.





#### PROVERBS 18:20-21 ESV

<sup>20</sup> From the fruit of a man's mouth his stomach is satisfied; he is satisfied by the yield of his lips.

<sup>21</sup> Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits.





THE QUALITY OF YOUR LIFE WILL DEPEND ON THE WORDS THAT YOU SPEAK.

THE TONGUE OR OUR WORDS HAVE THE POWER TO BRING LIFE OR DEATH.





# WHY THIS MATTERS SO MUCH TO GOD.

#### **MATTHEW 12:31-32 NLT**



<sup>31</sup> "So I tell you, every sin and blasphemy can be forgiven—except blasphemy against the Holy Spirit, which will never be forgiven. 32 Anyone who speaks against the Son of Man can be forgiven, but anyone who speaks against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven, either in this world or in the world to come."



## MATTHEW 12:33 NLT

"A tree is identified by its fruit. If a tree is good, its fruit will be good. If a tree is bad, its fruit will be bad."



THE TREE REPRESENTS
THE HEART OF A
PERSON.

THE FRUIT REPRESENTS
THE WORDS A PERSON
SPEAKS.



#### **MATTHEW 12:34-37 NLT**

"You brood of snakes! How could evil men like you speak what is good and right? For whatever is in your heart determines what you say. <sup>35</sup> A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil

#### **MATTHEW 12:34-37 NLT**

person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. <sup>36</sup> And I tell you this, you must give an account on judgment day for every idle word you speak. <sup>37</sup> The words you say will either acquit you or condemn you."

#### **MATTHEW 12:22-24 NLT**

Then a demon-possessed man, who was blind and couldn't speak, was brought to Jesus. He healed the man so that he could both speak and see. <sup>23</sup> The crowd was amazed and asked, "Could it be that Jesus is the Son of David, the Messiah?"



#### **MATTHEW 12:22-24 NLT**

<sup>24</sup> But when the Pharisees heard about the miracle, they said, "No wonder he can cast out demons. He gets his power from Satan, the prince of demons."

### **ROMANS 10:8-10, 13 ESV**

<sup>8</sup> But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim), because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe

### **ROMANS 10:8-10, 13 ESV**

in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.



<sup>13</sup> For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."



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#### **HEBREWS 9:27-28 ESV**

<sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment,<sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

THIS SHOULD SHOW US HOW IMPORTANT OUR WORDS ARE NOT JUST TO OTHERS BUT TO GOD. OUR WORDS HAVE THE POWER OF LIFE AND DEATH PHYSICALLY, EMOTIONALLY, SPIRITUALLY AND ETERNALLY.





STEPS TO GO FROM A DEATH SPEAKER TO A LIFE SPEAKER.





#### **EZEKIEL 36:25-27 NLT**

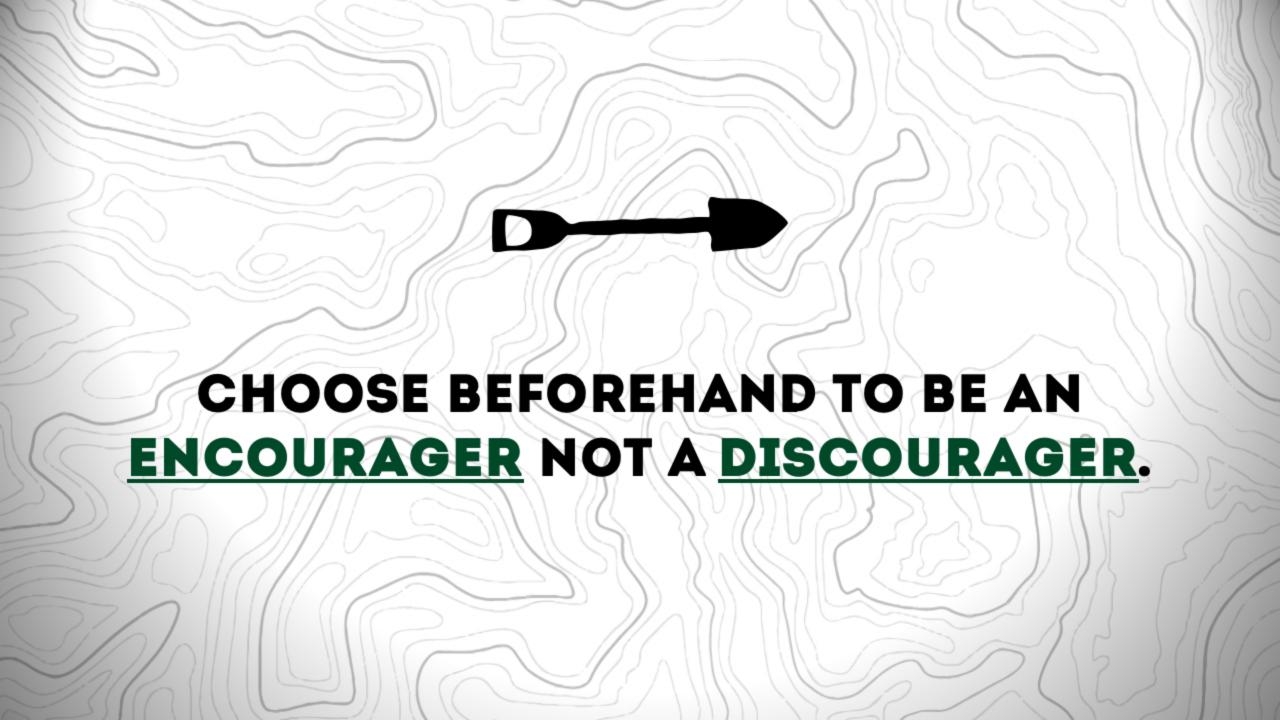
<sup>25</sup> "Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. Your filth will be washed away, and you will no longer worship idols. <sup>26</sup> And I will give you a new



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heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. <sup>27</sup> And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations."







# CHOOSE BEFOREHAND TO BE AN ENCOURAGER NOT A DISCOURAGER.

#### HEBREWS 3:13 NIV

<sup>13</sup> But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.