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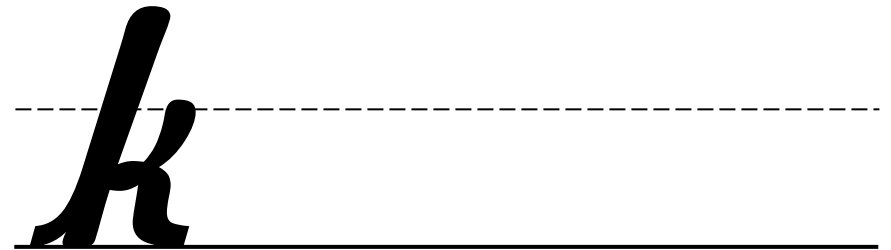
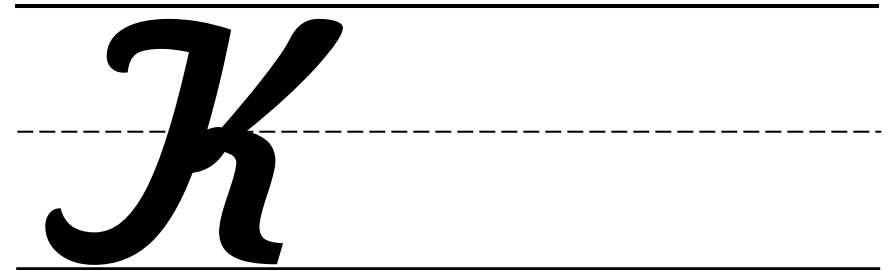
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Kk



We should control our:

Keep thy tongue from evil,
and thy lips from speaking guile.

Psalms 34:13

Our mouth is the most used muscle in the body. Think of all the things you do with your mouth: talk, whistle, eat, smile, taste and breathe. I am sure you could think of more things that you do with your mouth.

That is why God wants us to use our mouth for good things. He wants every word that comes out of our mouth to be pleasing to Him. God even told us how to speak.



What God wants us to do with our mouths.

1. Speak with Charity

I Corinthians 13:1, "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not c_____, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal."

Charity means love. Always try to be loving with your words. No one likes mean-talking people.

2. Speak the truth

Ephesians 4:25, "Wherefore putting away l_____, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another."

God wants us to always say the truth no matter what.



3. Speak helpful words.

Proverbs 18:21, "Death and l_____ are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof."

Use your words to encourage and help people, and not to put them down. It is hard to do sometimes, but find good things to say about others.

4. Speak softly



Proverbs 15:1, "A s_____ answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger."

We need to speak respectfully and properly at all times.

5. Speak shortly

Ecclesiastes 5:2, "Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be h_____ to utter any thing before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be f_____."

God wants us to be quiet, and keep our words short.

6. Speak slowly (well thought out words)

James 1:19, "Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to s_____, slow to w_____:"

Think before you talk! We would be in a lot less trouble if we would think about what say before we blurt out words.



What God does NOT want us to do with our mouths.

1. Speak Loudly.

Ephesians 4:31, "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and e_____ speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:"

Clamor is yelling and fussing. We should never lift our voices to anyone. Keep your voices soft, especially to parents and authority.

2. Debate.



II Corinthians 12:20, "For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest there be d_____..."

We do not have to have the last word. Arguing is wrong and doesn't help anything.

3. Backbite.

Psalms 15:3, "He that backbiteth not with his t_____, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour."

If someone is not there to defend himself, then do not talk bad about him.

4. Curse.

Exodus 20:7, "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him g_____ that taketh his name in v_____."

Never curse God's name by saying it without respect.

Do not swear or say words that sound like swear words.



5. Use Guile.

I Peter 3:10, "For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they s_____ no guile:"

Guile is when we say what is not true in order to get our own way. This could also be called "manipulation" or "exaggeration." Making up a story to make people like you, or to get your own way does not please God.