



## TALK IT OVER

Language of Love

### BOTTOM LINE

Love is expressed by the language we speak.

### CONVERSATION STARTER

Would you rather talk on the phone or text? Why? Would you consider yourself a better talker or listener? When are you most talkative and with whom?

### THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

### RESOURCES

- The Daily: [newpointe.org/thedaily](http://newpointe.org/thedaily)
- A short impactful read about [the impact of words](#) on any relationship.

### KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

*Those who guard their lips preserve their lives, but those who speak rashly will come to ruin.* Proverbs 13:3 NIV

*The tongue has the power of life and death ...* Proverbs 18:21 NIV

*Love is ... not rude. It does not insist on its own way.*  
1 Corinthians 13:4-5 ESV

Words create reality. This is not only true of God but also true of us.

There may be no other fuel/ingredient that either builds or breaks relationships over time than our words.

It's not just the words we use that can discourage or destroy, it is also the absence of words that can destroy or damage.

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Words create our reality and should be spoken with great intentionality. How can we put intentionality in the language of our relationships? The words we speak can damage or destroy, as well as the words we neglect to speak. In your relationships, where do you find your tendency to damage or destroy—the words you speak or the words you neglect to speak? The way we use words either builds or destroys as well—how does tone, timing, expression, and eye contact impact our relational conversations? Discuss the impact of positive action, the absence of action, and the presence of only words. How do you know if you are speaking life or death? Where is God speaking to you? Where and how can you improve your world by improving your language?

### ACTION STEPS (This or one of your own)

I will intentionally evaluate my relationship language, praying and working daily to speak life through my words and actions.

My Action Step: \_\_\_\_\_