



Stewards of God Communicating God's Way



James 3:8-10

⁸ but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God.

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10 From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so.

1 Corinthians 4:2

² Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful.

I. God Owns Everything,
I Own Nothing.

Psalm 24:1

¹ The earth is the Lord's and the
fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell
therein,

Romans 11:36

36 For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

I. God Owns Everything,
I Own Nothing.

II. God Entrusts Me With
Everything That I Have.

1 Corinthians 4:7 (NKJV)

⁷For who makes you differ from another? And what do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?

Exodus 4:11–12 (NKJV)

¹¹ So the LORD said to him, “Who has made man’s mouth? Or who makes the mute, the deaf, the seeing, or the blind? *Have* not I, the LORD? ¹² Now therefore, go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall say.”

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- III. I Am Responsible To Increase What God Has Given Me. I May Increase It Or Diminish It.

Matthew 25:14-15 (NKJV)

¹⁴ “For *the kingdom of heaven* is like a man traveling to a far country, *who* called his own servants and delivered his goods to them.

Matthew 25:14-15 (NKJV)

¹⁵ And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey.

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- IV. God Can Call Me Into Account
At Any Time

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 (NKJV)

¹³ Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter:

Fear God and keep His commandments,
For this is man's all.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ For God will bring every work into judgment,
Including every secret thing,
Whether good or evil.

Ephesians 4:25-32

25 Therefore, having put away falsehood,
let each one of you speak the truth
with his neighbor,
for we are members one of another.

Ephesians 4:25-32

- 26** Be angry and do not sin;
do not let the sun go down on your
anger,
- 27** and give no opportunity to the devil.

Ephesians 4:25-32

²⁸ Let the thief no longer steal,
but rather let him labor,
doing honest work
with his own hands,
so that he may have something to share
with anyone in need.

Ephesians 4:25-32

²⁹ Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths,
but only such as is good for building up,
as fits the occasion,
that it may give grace to those who hear.

Ephesians 4:25-32

³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,
by whom you were sealed
for the day of redemption.

Ephesians 4:25-32

31 Let all bitterness and wrath
and anger and clamor
and slander
be put away from you,
along with all malice.

Ephesians 4:25-32

32 Be kind to one another,
tenderhearted,
forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.



Good communication has
two essential keys:

Each person must both
listen and speak.



Four Rules for God-pleasing communication:

I. Be Honest

Ephesians 4:25

25 Therefore, having put away falsehood,
let each one of you speak the truth
with his neighbor,
for we are members one of another.

Ephesians 4:15

15 Rather, speaking the truth in love,
we are to grow up
in every way
into him who is the head,
into Christ,

Four Rules

for God-pleasing communication:

I. Be Honest

II. Keep Current

Ephesians 4:26-27

²⁶ Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and give no opportunity to the devil.

Four Rules

for God-pleasing communication:

I. Be Honest

II. Keep Current

A. Get angry, but don't sin

B. Stop clamming up or blowing up

Anger (energy)

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graph TD; A["Anger (energy)"] -- red arrow --> B["Blow up  
(wrong)"]; A -- red arrow --> C["Clam up  
(wrong)"]; A -- green arrow --> D["Solve problems  
(correct)"];
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III. Attack the Problem, Not the
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Four Rules

for God-pleasing communication:

I. Be Honest

II. Keep Current

III. Attack the Problem, Not the Person

A. Avoid destructive words

B. Use edifying communication

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Four Rules

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- III. Attack the Problem, Not the Person
- IV. Act, Don't React

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Conflicts are possible only
if each person reacts.

Proverbs 15:1

¹A soft answer turns away wrath,
But a harsh word stirs up anger.

Romans 12:18

¹⁸ If possible, so far as it depends on you,
live peaceably with all.

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