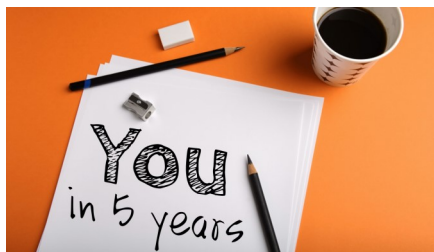


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The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit. (Proverbs 18:21, NIV)

Words kill, words give life; they're either poison or fruit – you choose. (Proverbs 18:21, MSG)

To Reach The Life I Want:

I _____ the _____ I _____.

When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. Likewise the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. (James 3:3-5, NIV)

Reckless words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. (Proverbs 12:18, NIV)

The tongue that brings healing is a tree of life, but a deceitful tongue crushes the spirit. (Proverbs 15:4, NIV)

Word Audit:

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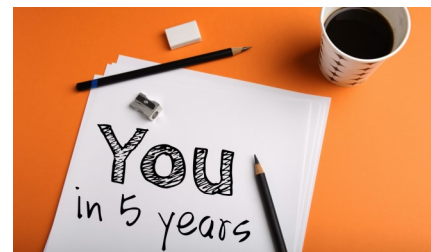
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Two Rules About Life-Giving Words:

1. If you _____ say something _____,
_____ say _____ at all.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. (Ephesians 4:29, NIV)

2. If you _____ something _____, _____ it.

Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones. (Proverbs 16:24, NIV)

But David found strength in the Lord his God. (1 Samuel 30:6b, NIV)

But David encouraged himself in the Lord his God. (1 Sam. 30:6b, KJV)

Ephesians 4:29-30; Psalm 19:14; Colossians 3:8, Exodus 20:7

Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. (Ephesians 5:4, ESV)

Jesus called the crowd to Him and said, "Listen and understand. What goes into a man's mouth does not make him 'unclean,' but what comes out of his mouth, that is what makes him 'unclean.'" (Matthew 15:10-11, NIV)

He who guards his mouth and his tongue keeps himself from calamity. (Proverbs 21:23, NIV)

Set a guard over my mouth, O Lord; keep watch over the door of my lips. (Psalm 141:3, NIV)

Lord, help me control what I say. Don't let me say anything bad. (Psalm 141:3, ETRV)