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Ephesians 4:**29** *Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.*

Colossians 4:**6** *Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person.*

Matthew 12:**34** *You brood of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak what is good? For the mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart.*

Proverbs 15:**28** *The heart of the righteous ponders how to answer, but the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things.*

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