



Sermon Notes

The Way of Agape Part 10
War of Words
January 24, 2021

Psalm 12:6

*6 And the words of the Lord are flawless,
like silver purified in a crucible,
like gold refined seven times.*

God's words are healing. They always build us up, they never tear us down.

Proverbs 16:24

*24 Gracious words are a honeycomb,
sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.*

God's words are gracious because He is gracious.

Psalm 103:8-12

*8 The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
9 He will not always accuse,
nor will he harbor his anger forever;
10 he does not treat us as our sins deserve
or repay us according to our iniquities.
11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him;
12 as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.*

Because of His love, God speaks words of affirmation, **words of support and encouragement to us.**

God is not angry at you. Instead, He is caring and concerned about you. His love knows no limits.

God doesn't accuse us because all accusations were placed on His Son on the cross! His grace doesn't change our past, it changes our future!

God doesn't give us what we deserve. That is the very definition of mercy!

God's love transcends the human capability and capacity to love. That is agape love!

God removes our sins so far away it is as if they were never committed.

Proverbs 18:21

21 The tongue has the power of life and death...



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Proverbs 18:21 The Message

*21 Words kill, words give life;
they're either poison or fruit—you choose.*

**We choose the words we speak -
We also choose the words we listen to.**

There is a colossal tug of war going on for our hearts!

We have the choice of which side wins.

God has the power to win every time, but He will not force us to let Him win.

Psalm 119:41-45

*41 Lord, give me your unfailing love,
the salvation that you promised me.
42 Then I can answer those who taunt me,
for I trust in your word.
43 Do not snatch your word of truth from me,
for your regulations are my only hope.
44 I will keep on obeying your instructions
forever and ever.
45 I will walk in freedom,
for I have devoted myself to your commandments.*

*“There are far better things ahead than any we leave behind”
CS Lewis*

