



MESSAGE NOTES

Be Careful When You know You're Right

Colossians 4:6

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Continued from the message titled: "Take Time to Pause"

1. When people push your buttons

Proverbs 15:1 "A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger."

We should aim to avoid being stirred up to act out of anger or frustration.

2. Speaking gently is essential

Gentleness is one of the fruits of the Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-23 "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **gentleness**, and self-control; against such things, there is no law."

3. How we package our words matters

Colossians 4:6 "Let your conversation be full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone."

It is difficult for people to receive the truth from someone who does not communicate it lovingly.

Conclusion

We are called to communicate the truth in love, humility, and gentleness. We should aim to avoid being defensive or aggressive when people disagree with us or challenge our beliefs. Instead, we should aim to speak kindly, always keeping in mind the feelings and needs of others.

Philippians 2:4 "Let each of you look not only to his own interests but also to the interests of others."