

Is It Necessary

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1. When there are many words, sin is unavoidable.
2. Everyone must be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger.
3. When it is time to speak, timing is everything.
4. A friend will put his finger on your faults without rubbing them in.
5. It takes great grace to share a hard truth with a friend.
6. It takes great grace to receive hard truth from a friend.

The checklist

1. Is it true- If I do not know that it is absolutely the truth, I will not communicate it.
2. Is it kind- If I cannot share the truth in a loving way, maybe I am not the one to share it.
3. Is this truth that you share going to benefit the one who hears?
Will it be helpful in building that person up? (Ephesians 4:29)

Discussion Questions

1. Proverbs 10:19 says that “where there are many words, sin is unavoidable.” Do you agree or disagree with this statement and why?
2. Proverbs 21:23 What is meant by what is said in this verse?
“He who guards his mouth and tongue, guards his soul from troubles.”
3. When it is necessary to speak with someone, why are timing, passport and motive so important?
4. Has God called you to speak to someone about something in their life? What should be your checklist?