

1. We use our words wisely for building up (**Ephesians 4:23–24, 29; Proverbs 15:23; 25:11**)
2. The community forgives a repentant whisperer (**Proverbs 17:9; 19:11; Ephesians 4:31–32**)

PROVERBS 26:20-22

For lack of wood the fire goes out,

and where there is no whisperer, quarreling ceases.

²¹ As charcoal to hot embers and wood to fire,

so is a quarrelsome man for kindling strife.

²² The words of a whisperer are like delicious morsels;

they go down into the inner parts of the body.

SERMON REFLECTIONS

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1. What is a whisperer? What are the kinds of speech does a whisperer do?
2. How are gossip and slander similar? How are they different?
3. What may be some reasons people participate in whispering (gossip/slander)?

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4. How does a whisperer damage a community? How can a whisperer destroy themselves (consider Proverbs 26:17)?

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5. What would it mean for a whisperer to choose the path of Lady Wisdom? What responsibility does the community have regarding a whisperer?