

***Irresponsible honesty hurts others,
even when it's the truth***

May 30

Have you been gaining weight? Maybe it's the clothes. You look fat. Well ... it's the truth.

We are constantly offered opportunities to say things that are hurtful, offensive, or mean when there is no benefit beyond the irresponsible expression of a thought. Usually, people who are too outspoken with their opinions hurt others and in defense, hide behind the statement, "Well it's the truth." Just because something is the truth does not give you the right to say it without consideration of its impact on others. The Bible forbids us to hurt others with our words or to be offensive in our speech where there is no Kingdom benefit.

Prayer for Today

God, I submit my thoughts and the words of my mouth to Your keeping. I ask You to guard my mouth and my tongue that I might bring blessings with my conversation and not trouble for the hearer of my words. Thank You Father.

Scriptures for Today

James 3:2 For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body. (KJV)

Ephesians 4:29 Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. (NKJV)

Psalms 141:3 Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips. (NKJV)