

# The Proverbs 10 & 12 Growing in Godly Speech Assignment

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Proverbs 10 and 12 provide two of the richest deposits of biblical teaching about your speech. The following steps will help you identify your tongue sins and replace them with godly speech:

Step #1 -- Read Proverbs 10 and 12 in one sitting. Ask God to begin to make you conscious of the sinful and the godly aspects of your speech.

Step #2 -- Re-read Proverbs 10 and 12. On a separate sheet (or on the back of this sheet), write out every verse that speaks about speech (tongue, mouth, etc.).

Step #3 -- Based on Proverbs 10 and 12, list three specific forms of *sinful* speech you most need to get rid of (put off) and three specific forms of *godly* speech you most need to develop (put on). Under each, write a key verse or phrase from Proverbs 10 or 12 that you can meditate on or memorize.

## *Sinful Speech to Put Off*

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Verse:

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Verse:

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Verse:

## *Godly Speech to Put On*

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Verse:

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Verse:

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Verse:

Step #4 -- Keep a log record or journal of your daily progress in putting off sinful speech and putting on godly speech. Note specific incidents of success and failure. If possible, include some journaling of your prayers to the Lord concerning this putting off/putting on process.

Reminder: Remember that your tongue will always speak what is in your heart (Luke 6:43-45; Matt 12:33-37; 15:16-20; Pro 4:23). Therefore, you must continually repent of the sinful desires, selfish motives, and unbiblical lies that fuel your tongue sins. And you must continually believe the Gospel and the specific truths about God that will produce godly speech.