

“WHAT DID YOU SAY?”

EPHESIANS 4:25-32

Misunderstandings and confusion occur daily in our lives. To that troubling truth, we turn our attention and give ear to the One who spoke the Word and has much to say about how we speak the word.

FOUR PARAMETERS OF COMMUNICATION

① Be _____ (4:25)

A. “Put off” _____.

B. “Put on” _____ the truth.

② Keep _____ (4:26-28)

Before bringing up a sticky problem, ask yourself:

① Do I have the _____ right?

② Should _____ hide it?

③ Is my _____ right?

④ Is my _____ right?

⑤ Are my _____ loving?

⑥ Have I asked for God = s _____?

③ Attack _____, Not _____ (4:29-30)

A. “Put off” _____ communication

◇ Words _____, so _____ your words!

B. “Put on” _____ communication

④ _____, Don't _____ (4:31-32)

A. Reactions (4:31)

① bitterness is a _____.

② wrath is _____ expressed.

③ anger is less sudden but _____ lasting.

④ clamor is _____ brawling.

⑤ evil speaking is _____.

⑥ malice is the general term for _____.

B. Actions (4:32)

① kind → _____ fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22).

② tenderhearted → _____ compassion.

③ forgiving → compound word with _____.

_____ are only possible if people react and don't act. _____ are only possible if people act and don't react!

CONCLUSION

To have thriving, healthy, godly _____, you have to have thriving, healthy, godly communication!

Does your desired outcome usually fall within the box:

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C	R

Think outside the box: 1 Corinthians 10:31!