

MAKING LIFE  
**WORK**  
REAL SOLUTIONS FOR EVERYDAY LIVING

PART 5: WIN FRIENDS & INFLUENCE PEOPLE!

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**"DEATH AND LIFE ARE IN THE POWER OF  
THE TONGUE." PROVERBS 18:21**

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**THE POWER OF WORDS**

EVERYTHING IN CREATION GOT ITS  
START BY **GOD'S WORDS.**

AND EVERYTHING WILL ONE DAY BE  
DESTROYED BY **GOD'S WORDS.**

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**GOD HAS PLACED LIFE-GIVING AND  
DEATH-PRODUCING POWER WITHIN  
OUR TONGUE—AND HE’S ASKED  
US TO MANAGE IT WELL.**

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**WIN FRIENDS & INFLUENCE PEOPLE**

**#1**

**THROUGH  
COMPLIMENTARY WORDS.**

**“THE WORDS OF THE GODLY ARE A LIFE-GIVING  
FOUNTAIN.” PROVERBS 10:11**

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**COMPLIMENTARY  
WORDS**

A simple,  
straightforward  
statement of genuine  
appreciation.

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**“PASTOR, THAT WAS THE BEST  
SERMON I EVER HEARD!”**

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**“THE DEEPEST PRINCIPLE IN  
HUMAN NATURE IS THE CRAVING  
TO BE APPRECIATED.”**

**WILLIAM JAMES**

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**WIN FRIENDS & INFLUENCE PEOPLE**

**#2**

**THROUGH  
INSPIRING WORDS.**

**“ANXIETY WEIGHS DOWN THE HEART, BUT AN  
ENCOURAGING WORD CHEERS IT UP.” PROVERBS 12:25**

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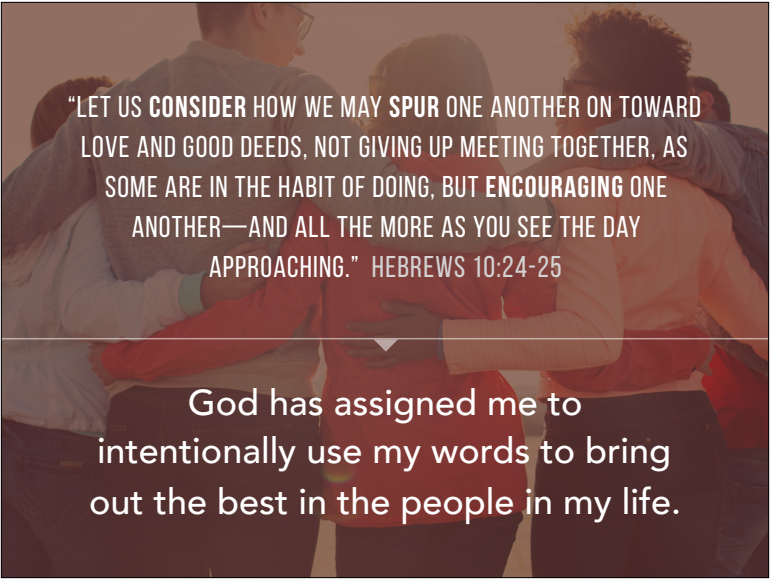
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"LET US **CONSIDER** HOW WE MAY **SPUR** ONE ANOTHER ON TOWARD LOVE AND GOOD DEEDS, NOT GIVING UP MEETING TOGETHER, AS SOME ARE IN THE HABIT OF DOING, BUT **ENCOURAGING** ONE ANOTHER—AND ALL THE MORE AS YOU SEE THE DAY APPROACHING." HEBREWS 10:24-25

God has assigned me to intentionally use my words to bring out the best in the people in my life.

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#3

THROUGH GENTLE WORDS.

"A SOFT ANSWER TURNS AWAY WRATH, BUT HARSH WORDS STIRS UP ANGER." PROVERBS 15:1

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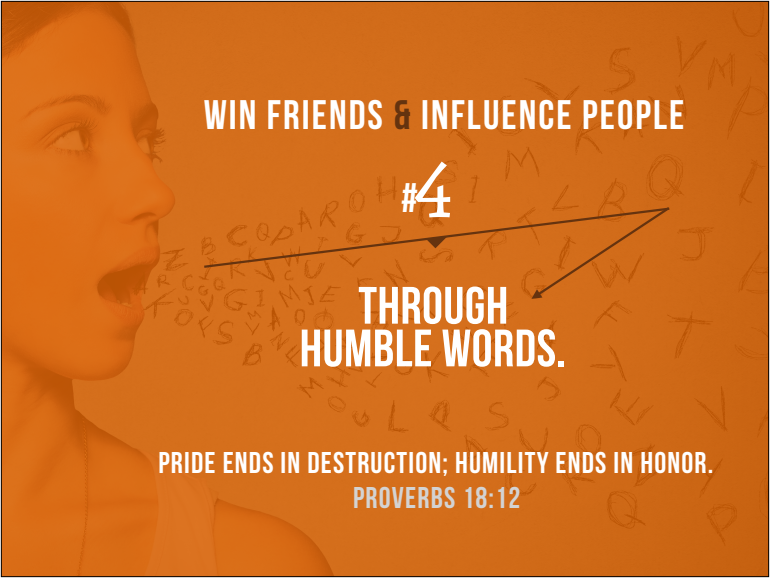
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#4

THROUGH HUMBLE WORDS.

PRIDE ENDS IN DESTRUCTION; HUMILITY ENDS IN HONOR.  
PROVERBS 18:12

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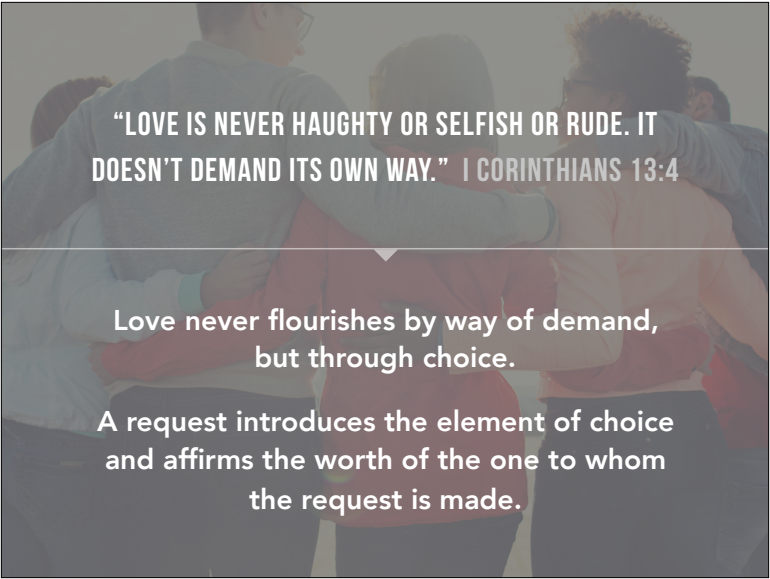
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**"LOVE IS NEVER HAUGHTY OR SELFISH OR RUDE. IT DOESN'T DEMAND ITS OWN WAY." 1 CORINTHIANS 13:4**

Love never flourishes by way of demand,  
but through choice.

A request introduces the element of choice  
and affirms the worth of the one to whom  
the request is made.

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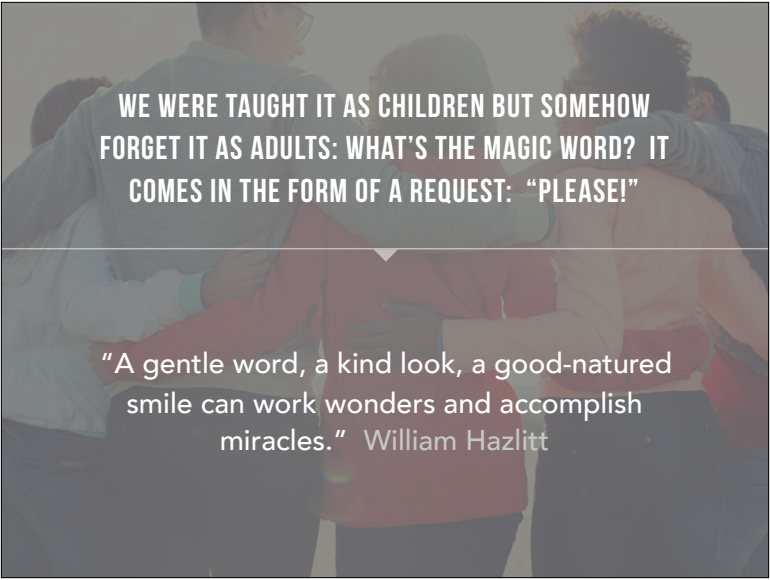
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**WE WERE TAUGHT IT AS CHILDREN BUT SOMEHOW FORGET IT AS ADULTS: WHAT'S THE MAGIC WORD? IT COMES IN THE FORM OF A REQUEST: "PLEASE!"**

"A gentle word, a kind look, a good-natured smile can work wonders and accomplish miracles." William Hazlitt

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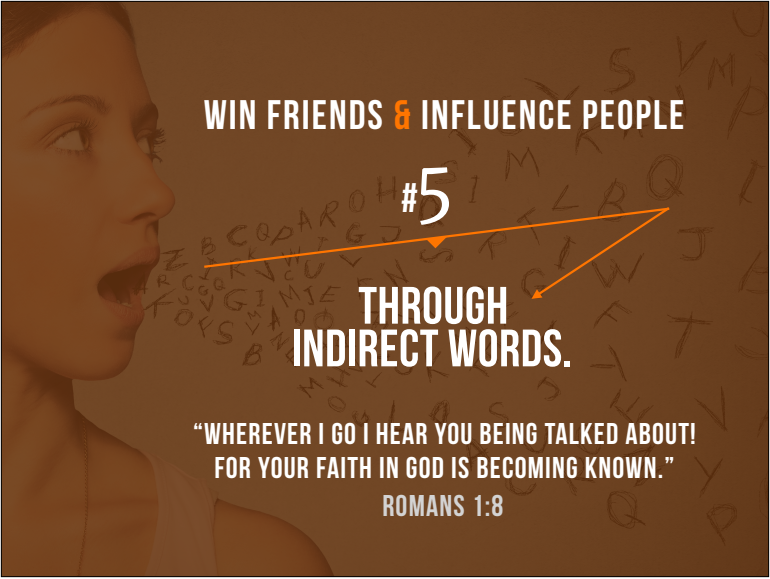
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**WIN FRIENDS & INFLUENCE PEOPLE**

**#5**

**THROUGH  
INDIRECT WORDS.**

**"WHEREVER I GO I HEAR YOU BEING TALKED ABOUT!  
FOR YOUR FAITH IN GOD IS BECOMING KNOWN."**  
ROMANS 1:8

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## HOLY GOSSIP

Spreading good words about people around behind their backs!



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## THE THINK FIRST INITIATIVE

"EVERYONE SHOULD BE QUICK TO LISTEN, SLOW TO SPEAK  
AND SLOW TO BECOME ANGRY." JAMES 1:19

- T** — Is it truthful?
- H** — Is it helpful?
- I** — Is it inspirational?
- N** — Is it necessary?
- K** — Is it kind?

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