## Effective Communication









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- 1. ... begins with effective listening.
  - James 1:19-20
- 2. ... is delivered with precision.
  - Proverbs 10:19; 17:27; 15:28; 18:13; 25:11
- 3. ... is motivated by responsiveness.
  - Colossians 4:6
  - Proverbs 16:23-24
  - Acts 17:1-3; 16-17; 18:4
- 4. ... exercises discretion.
  - Proverbs 15:1-2
  - Matthew 18:15-17
  - Galatians 2:11-14

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[13] Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. [14] But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. [15] This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. [16] For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. [17] But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. [18] And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

James 3:13-18