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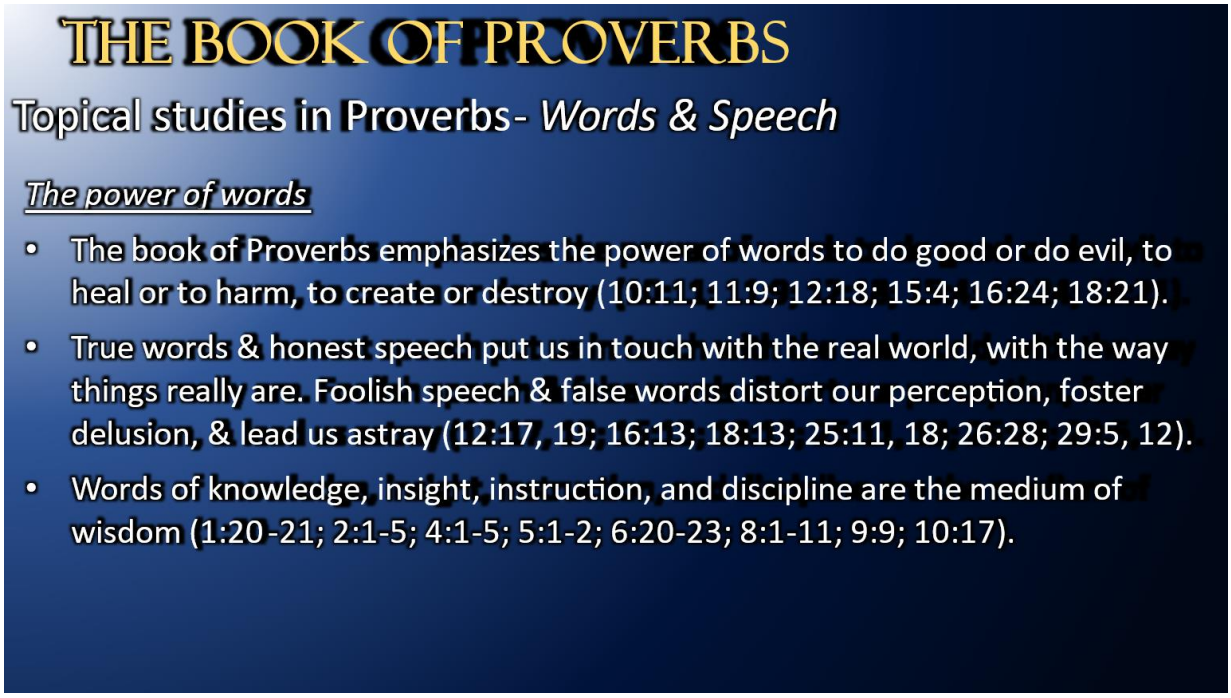

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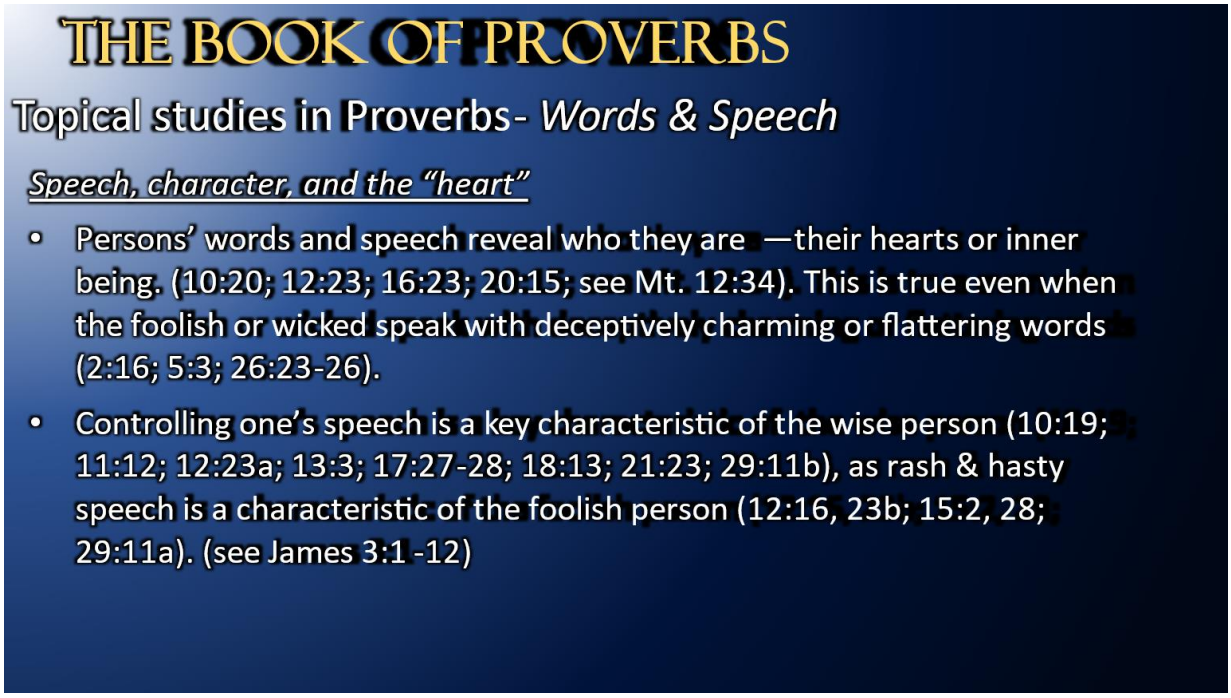

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Foolish speech and harmful words:

- *Lies*
  - Lies are knowing, willful deception. A liar knows the truth but chooses to misrepresent & distort it for selfish or underhanded motives (12:5b, 17, 20a; 14:5, 25).
  - God hates liars (6:19)
  - Lies cause trouble (29:12), damage others (15:4b; 25:18), and destroy those who spread them (19:5, 9; 21:28).
- *Slander & Insults*
  - Slander & insults can be based on lies or rumors, or by betraying confidences and sharing private information (10:18; 20:19; 25:9).
  - Mockers who slander & insult disrupt a community (22:10).

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- *Gossip*
  - Gossip is tempting & pervasive (18:8; 26:22).
  - Gossip leads to dissension, division, & quarrels (16:28; 26:20)
- *Quarreling*
  - Being quarrelsome is an outward sign of inward pride & foolishness (13:10; 17:19; 20:3; 22:10).
  - Quarrels lead to disputes & strife (17:14; 26:21).
- *Flattery & Boasting* (7:21-22; 26:28; 28:23; 29:5; 27:1-2)
  - Flattery is manipulative; we should both avoid & beware of it.
  - Boasting is self-glorifying, self-flattery, a sign of pride & ego.

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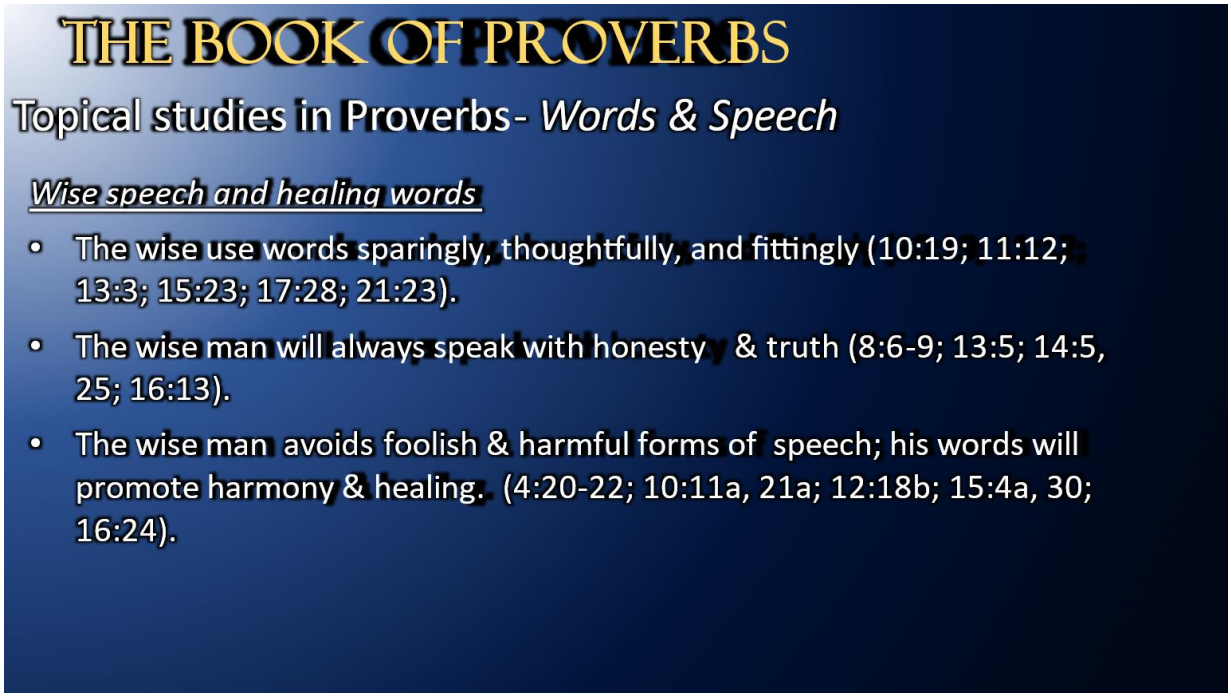

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