



**WORDS MATTER,
ESPECIALLY ONLINE**

When it comes to having an online presence, whether it's Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, Discord, a Blog, or whatever it is, it's important to be mindful of what you say and how you say it.

The **Golden Rule** still applies online — in fact, I would argue that it applies even more strictly online due to the inability to gauge body language.



Oftentimes, when we're typing in front of a screen, it's easy to forget that there's another human being on the opposite side of the screen.



The texts and blue light of digital screens often deters us from remembering that there is someone who feels, who is yearning to be heard, who is looking for someone to share God's love with them.

PROVERBS 18:21 SAYS...

The **tongue** has the power of life and death, and this is going to be true in real life, and it's going to be true in the digital space as well.

Another Bible story that comes to mind is when Jesus was speaking to the disciples that were surrounding him, and he talked about how out of the fullness of the heart, the mouth speaks.

So that which you have within you is what you're going to pour out into the digital space.



And if you are not being thoughtful or mindful to fill yourself up with the gospel, with God's love, with the words of Jesus Christ, and letting that overwhelm you and lead you in the content that you're creating or the content that you're posting, or etc, then the power in your digital presence is going to be towards **death** and not towards life.

And as a witness, as a **digital witness**, or as a **digital disciple maker above** everything else, you do not want to become the kind of individual that, for the sake of winning clout, for the sake of gaining a large audience, is willing to make compromises in the type of content, in the type of persona, and in the words and images, videos, etc.

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