

Speaks With Wisdom Proverbs 31 Finishing School

SESSION ONE: Basic Communication Skills

What are some things that people do when they communicate that makes them hard to understand?

Knowing how to communicate properly is essential for winning the lost to Christ. It also helps us within our family and in business. Communication skills will provide what you need to interact successfully with a wide variety of people and situations,

The Bible tells us that the Proverbs 31 Woman (a woman after God's heart) :

²⁶ ... speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. (Proverbs 31: 26)

While viewing this session in the 'Speaks with Wisdom' lesson, here are some things to keep in mind as you move forward :

Is there someone in your life you feel communicates well? _____

What skills do you think are needed to effectively communicate?

Do you have difficulty making others understand your communication. _____

Watch Session 1: Skills for Communicating.

Here are the four major communication skills and how they impact your ability to communicate effectively.

Communication Skill #1 – Thinking

Ms Becker explained that this is the beginning of all communication. Giving the correct information to someone at the beginning of your conversation is vital to making them know who Jesus is and why he came to help God's children. In all communication we should be sure the information we give is understandable to those hearing our words.

Communication Skill #2 – Speaking

Ms Becker reminds us that speaking is more than just the act or saying words. Using a weak soft voice can do as much harm to what we are saying then a harsh tone. When communicating the words of God to a non-believer your voice should be confident and assuring of the wisdom you are giving from the Bible.

Communication Skill #3 – Listening

As Ms Becker said, listening is a vital part to keep the communication going. By listening to their responses to your words about Christ will tell you if they truly have Jesus in their hearts.

Communication Skill #4 – Nonverbal Communication

Can you think of any non-verbal ways your friends, children or husband let you know their feelings about something?

Nonverbal communication will tell others if we are truly interested in the persons' salvation or well being. Since we learn this communication at a very early age, sometimes we must unlearn them to be effective in all our communication.

Can you think of ones you do regularly the need to be corrected? _____

By knowing the 4 basic communication skills, you will be set on the right course for being understood and respected by those in need of guidance or those needing to know Jesus.