

# MINING FOR GOLD



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**Service:** Honoring with Your Words

## SERMON NOTES

### **A Culture of Honor**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1

**God is the original communicator.**

**Jesus is the original message, the original Word.**

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14

### **Purposes of God's Communication:**

- To make Him known
- To call us up

In a culture of honor, words are used in alignment with God's original purposes of communication.

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. Ephesians 4:29

There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. Proverbs 12:18

Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body. Proverbs 16:24

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Ephesians 5:18–20

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.  
Colossians 3:16

**Honoring with Words:**

1. Rethink communication
2. Repent of evil uses
3. Fill your mind and heart with God's Word
4. Catch people doing good things
5. Practice affirmation
6. Pray over people