

Questions for study and reflection this week

Do you use social media? What do you primarily use it for? How much time each week do you spend on it? (You'll probably underestimate!)

What are the benefits of social media? What are the pitfalls?

1. The heart of the issue

Read Proverbs 4:23-24.

Why are we instructed to guard our hearts?

In what way does our mouth reflect our hearts?

Read Proverbs 6:12-14.

Why is it more difficult at times to weigh a person's character & motives on social media?

2. The power of words

Read Proverbs 12:18 and 15:4.

What have been the positive and negative effects of words in your own life?

In what ways did God's words show His power in Genesis 1-3?

And how did Jesus' words reveal both his character and mission?

Read Matthew 7:24-27.

How valuable are Jesus' words to you each day? Why does it matter?

3. Becoming more like Jesus

Read Proverbs 15:28.

What will help us to weigh our answers before we speak? What are key issues to consider when responding on social media?

Read Romans 12:2 and Proverbs 26:20-28.

What will help us not to conform to the world while using social media?

Read Colossians 4:2-6.

What opportunities do you have to be 'salt' in your conversations, whether in person or online?