

**WHAT
DO YOU
SAY?**

The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Proverbs 18:21 NIV

**Words are a stewardship.
They are powerful, and
we are accountable.**

“What do you say?”

Almost Every Parent

WORDS OF RESPONSIBILITY :

- *I'm sorry*
- *I apologize*
- *I was wrong*
- *It's my fault*
- *I shouldn't have*
- *I failed to do it*
- *You're right*
- *I have a problem*
- *I dropped the ball*
- *Forgive me*

**The best version of our life is found
in taking responsibility for our life.**

**The best version of myself is found
in taking responsibility for myself.**

In the spring, at the time **when kings go off to war**, David sent Joab out with the king's men and the whole Israelite army... But David remained in Jerusalem...

2 Samuel 11:1 NIV

Have mercy on **me**, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great
compassion blot out **my**
transgressions.

Psalm 51:1 NIV

Wash away all **my** iniquity and
cleanse **me** from **my** sin.

Psalm 51:2 NIV

For I know **my** transgressions, and
my sin is always before **me**.

Psalm 51:3 NIV

Against you, you only, have I
sinned and done what is evil in
your sight; so you are right in your
verdict and justified when you
judge.

Psalm 51:4 NIV

Cleanse **me** with hyssop, and **I** will be clean; wash **me**, and **I** will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice.

Psalm 51:7-8 NIV

Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within
me. Do not cast me from your
presence or take your Holy Spirit
from me.

Psalm 51:10-11 NIV

Restore to me the joy of your
salvation and grant me a willing
spirit, to sustain me.

Psalm 51:12 NIV

Then I will teach transgressors
your ways, so that sinners will turn
back to you.

Psalm 51:13 NIV

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are **forgiven**, whose sins are covered. **Blessed** is the one whose sin the Lord does not count **against them** and in whose spirit is no deceit.

Psalm 32:1-2 NIV

When I kept silent, my bones
wasted away through my groaning
all day long.

Psalm 32:3 NIV

For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.

Psalm 32:4 NIV

Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.” And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Psalm 32:5 NIV

The *making* of greatness begins
with the *taking* of responsibility.

When you blame, you forfeit the opportunity to learn and change.

**In life we can either make
excuses or take responsibility,
but we can't do both.**

**Taking responsibility isn't always
the easy thing to do, but it is
always the best thing to do.**

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The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

Psalm 103:8-10 NIV

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Psalm 103:11-12 NIV

**When we take responsibility before
God and with people, we are able
to better love both God and people.**