

## The Gift of Words writers'/speakers' virtual retreat

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### The Power of Words (Session #3)

#### I. **Words are a gift. They are a gift (a blessing), or a curse.**

"Watch the way you talk. Let nothing foul or dirty come out of your mouth. Say only what helps, **each word a gift.**" (Ephesians 4:29)

"A person's words can be **life-giving water**; words of true wisdom are as refreshing as a bubbling brook." (Proverbs 18:4)

"Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit."  
(Proverbs 18:21, NASB)

"Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, "Write **all the words which I have spoken to you** in a book." (Jeremiah 30:2)

#### II. **You as a speaker and a writer are God's messenger of truth.** Your words have power, for good or for bad.

#### III. Biblical examples of God's chosen messengers:

A. Moses ~ "Please, Lord, I am not a good speaker. I stutter. Please send someone else."  
(Exodus 4)

B. Jeremiah the prophet ~ "Ah Lord, God! Behold, I cannot speak, for I am only a youth."

C. Mary Magdalene, who had a past. She had 7 demons cast out of her. **"Go and tell!"**

D. What is your fear, doubt, or excuse about God using you to speak and write?

#### IV. "No matter what anybody tells you, words and ideas can change the world." ~ John Keating

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