

# **“How to Talk so People Will Listen”**

Psalm 34

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## **Introduction**

### **I. I must recommend God \_\_\_\_\_.**

“David took these words to heart and was  
very much afraid of Achish king of Gath.” (I Sam 21:12)

**David was experiencing the thrill of \_\_\_\_\_!**

I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.  
Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.  
This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.  
Ps 34:4-6

**David’s joy was \_\_\_\_\_.**

I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.  
My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.  
Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.  
Psalm 34:1-3

**David knew from experience the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of God.**

Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.  
Fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing. The lions may grow  
weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.  
Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.  
Psalm 34:8-11

### **II. I must tell the \_\_\_\_\_ of genuine faith.**

**1. I need grow in the \_\_\_\_\_.**

“I will teach you the fear of the Lord.” (34:11)

**2. I need to reflect God's character in my \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_.**

Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days,  
keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies.  
Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

Ps 34:12-14

“The tongue has the power of life and death, and  
those who love it will eat it's fruit.” Pro 18:21

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their cry; the face  
of the LORD is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.

Ps 34:15,16

**3 very common areas of need:**

**1) When I feel \_\_\_\_\_, I should \_\_\_\_\_.**

“The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.” (18)

**2) When I feel \_\_\_\_\_, I should \_\_\_\_\_.**

“A righteous man may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all;  
he protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken. (19,20)

**3) When I am \_\_\_\_\_, I should \_\_\_\_\_.**

“Evil will slay the wicked; the foes of the righteous will be condemned. The LORD  
redeems his servants; no one will be condemned who takes refuge in him.” (21,22)

**Application:**

**1. David was willing to \_\_\_\_\_ for God; am I?**

**2. David was willing to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of God; am I?**