

# COMPELLING COMMUNICATION

WORSHIP MODULE #2

**COMPETENCY:** Increase your impact and credibility through the use of verbal and non-verbal communication skills.

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**Kick Start Question:** Who is your favorite speaker? What is it about that speaker that makes them such an effective communicator?

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

**Assignment 1:** Read Proverbs 10:9-14 and answer the questions below.

**Assignment 2:** Watch the following four-minute video by Vanessa Van Edwards, 5 Secrets to a Successful Ted Talk, and answer questions below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wkfYzs2Qv-M>

## ASSIGNMENT 1

### Proverbs 10:9-14

People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will be exposed. <sup>10</sup> People who wink at wrong cause trouble, but a bold reproof promotes peace. <sup>11</sup> The words of the godly are a life-giving fountain; the words of the wicked conceal violent intentions. <sup>12</sup> Hatred stirs up quarrels, but love makes up for all offenses. <sup>13</sup> Wise words come from the lips of people with understanding, but those lacking sense will be beaten with a rod. <sup>14</sup> Wise people treasure knowledge, but the babbling of a fool invites disaster.

### QUESTIONS

1. Make a list of the contrasts Solomon makes in this passage. As a communicator what principles can you draw from this passage that would make you a more effective communicator? List at least three in the space below.
2. Obviously the character of a messenger is essential to the integrity of the message. How is the character of a communicator evidenced in a talk if a listener has no previous knowledge of or interaction with that individual?
3. What mistakes have you seen communicators make that undermine their own credibility?

## ASSIGNMENT 2

### 5 Secrets to a Successful Ted Talk

Watch the following four-minute video by Vanessa Van Edwards and take notes below.

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1. It's not what you say it's how you say it
2. Use Hand Gestures
3. Scripts kill your charisma
4. Smiling makes you look smarter
5. You have seven seconds

### QUESTIONS

1. What challenged you the most from this talk?
2. What questions did this talk raise for you?
3. What communication strengths did this talk affirm in you?
4. What growth area did the talk raise for you?
5. What is one thing you can practice repeatedly before you meet to discuss this module?
6. What other action steps will you take to improve your communication?

Dig Deeper (optional):

If you would like to dig deeper into this topic go the following link, read the article and watch the videos Vanessa's research team showed the participants in the study.

<http://www.scienceofpeople.com/2015/03/secrets-of-a-successful-ted-talk/>

What were your observations from watching the Ted Talk samples?