

COMPELLING COMMUNICATION

WORSHIP MODULE #4

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

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

9 People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will be exposed.

10 People who wink at wrong cause trouble, but a bold reproof promotes peace.

11 The words of the godly are a life-giving fountain; the words of the wicked conceal violent intentions.

12 Hatred stirs up quarrels, but love makes up for all offenses.

13 Wise words come from the lips of people with understanding, but those lacking sense will be beaten with a rod.

14 Wise people treasure knowledge, but the babbling of a fool invites disaster.

Questions:

1. Observe the contrasts Solomon makes in this passage.
2. What principles can you draw from this passage that would make you a more effective communicator? List at least three in the space below.
3. The character of a messenger is essential to the integrity of the message. How is the character of a communicator made evident if a listener has no personal history with that individual?
4. What mistakes have you seen communicators make that damage their credibility and trustworthiness?

ASSIGNMENT 2

As worship leaders, we not only lead with our vocals, but also with our body language. Our facial expressions, arm movements and eye contact, for example, can help us connect and build trust with the audience as we lead worship. Watch this video about what makes a compelling TED talk.

5 Secrets to a Successful Ted Talk

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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

Let's consider the value of using some of the non-verbals mentioned in this video in worship, and answer these questions.

1. What can I apply from this to worship leading? (i.e. focus on your non-verbal just as much as your verbal, memorize lyrics, smile, etc)
2. What challenged you the most from this talk?
3. What questions did this talk raise for you?
4. What communication strengths did this talk affirm in you?
5. What's one thing you can take from this video and work on the next time you lead worship?