

Part 4

Words that Heal

Pleasant words are as a honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones. (Proverbs 16:24)

A father's words can heal. Words that are genuine, spoken gently and compassionately from a father whose life and heart are right with God, can help heal the brokenness he caused his children. Wounds caused by his words of death can be healed. The right words and actions from a father goes a long way in restoring his children and preventing them from developing serious problems later on. The right words and actions can reverse the curse created by words of death. Words and actions that reflect repentance and the sincere heart of a father and love for his children can restore his relationships with them. They put healing and life into his children and prevent further deterioration in his relationship with them. They go through a process of healing. The children sense the words that reveal the father's heart felt sorrow for what he has said and done to hurt his children. The father conveys his sadness over injuring his children. He turns from his ways. He repents. He lets his children know he was wrong and works extremely hard to change. He goes to God first and asks for forgiveness. He also asks his children for their forgiveness. He does not