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## Speak Truth When...

### 1. A Christian is in Blatant Sin.

Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. Galatians 6:1 (NIV)

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.  
1 Corinthians 13:6 (NIV)

### 2. Someone has become a Stumbling Block To Others.

Be careful, however, that the exercise of your freedom does not become a stumbling block to the weak. 1 Corinthians 8:9 (NIV)

### 3. Tension Exists Between You & Someone Else.

“If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over.”  
Matthew 18:15 (NIV)

If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, treat him as you would a pagan or a tax collector.  
Matthew 18:17 (NIV)

## How To Speak Truth

### 1. Check Your Motives!

Everything we do, dear friends, is for your benefit.  
2 Corinthians 12:19

### 2. Plan Your Presentation.

I wrote you out of great distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to grieve you but to let you know the depth of my love for you.  
2 Corinthians 2:4 (NIV)

A word aptly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.  
Proverbs 25:11 (NIV)

Truth + Tone + Timing = Transformation

### 3. Give Affirmation.

So speak encouraging words to one another. Build up hope so you'll all be together in this, no one left out, no one left behind. I know you're already doing this; just keep on doing it.  
1 Thessalonians 5:11 (MSG)

### 4. Speak the Truth in Love.

In the end, people appreciate frankness more than flattery.  
Proverbs 28:23 (TLB)