

Sanctify My Words

*The tongue also is a fire...
a restless evil,
full of deadly poison (James 3:6, 8, NIV).*

Lord, the more I see every person as
someone You love,
cherish, and
understand,
the more I pray,
“Sanctify my words!”

My Jesus, I want to abandon,
completely and forever,
saying any unkind word
to or
about anyone.
Such talk has become distasteful to me.

You love and understand everyone around me.
Why should I be tearing down Your work and
trampling Your deepest affections?

My unkind words are hurtful,
destructive,
unnecessary, and
counter to Your great compassion.
They are out of harmony with You and Your will.
Such words are always more wrong than right.

Put a guard over my mouth, Lord!

*Father, who am I to judge
someone You created,
someone You are working to redeem,
someone You love with an everlasting love?*

Hymn: [Prayer for Purity](http://lnwhymns.com/Hymn.aspx?ID=384)
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