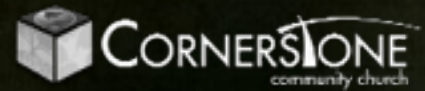


Week 3 Your Words

small things BIG DIFFERENCE



LifeGroup Discussion Guide

How to use This Guide:

Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. Begin with the key questions, add any optional scriptures and questions if needed, and then wrap up by deciding on your next steps.

Our Main Idea:

Your words determine your direction in life. Choose to speak words of life to others

Key Questions:

- What are some negative uses of our words?
- Have you experienced hurtful words in your life?
- With your Bible or Bible App, read and discuss James 3:3-5, Ephesians 4:29, Proverbs 16:24, and Proverbs 15:4
- How would you define gossip?
- Do you like it when people gossip about you?
- Be honest with yourself before we continue—how much do you gossip?
- What can you do to guard your heart against life-taking words when they are spoken to you?

Next Steps:

- What steps do you need to take to ensure you start speaking more life-giving words?

Bible Reading:

Take time to read and meditate on these Scripture passages this week

- **Day 1:** James 3:1-12
- **Day 2:** Proverbs 18:21
- **Day 3:** Proverbs 12:18
- **Day 4:** Proverbs 15:4
- **Day 5:** Ephesians 4:29
- **Day 6:** Proverbs 16:24
- **Day 7:** Matthew 12:36-37

Experience

Your Relationship with God

How have you seen your words affect your actions and beliefs?

Equip

Your Relationship with Others

In what situations do you find it most difficult to speak life-giving words to yourself or others?

Engage

Your Relationship with the World

What life-giving words do you need to speak to yourself and others?