

MESSAGE NOTES

PERSONAL APPLICATION _____

1. What's one way you can be more intentional with your words this week—to encourage, bless, or strengthen someone in your life?
2. Is there a relationship where you need to speak healing—either by offering an apology or by sharing encouragement? If so, who?
3. Who is one person you can uplift this week with a phone call, note, or conversation full of life-giving words?

PRAYER REQUESTS _____

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of May 11, 2025

OPENING DISCUSSION _____

1. What's a phrase or word from your mom—or a parental figure—that has stuck with you? Why was it meaningful?
2. Think about your role in your family or community. How do you want your words to influence the people closest to you?
3. What kind of words do you personally need most in this season—encouragement, truth, affirmation, or something else?
3. **James 3:3-5a** uses imagery like a bit, a rudder, and a spark to describe the power of the tongue. Which of these metaphors stands out most to you, and why?
4. Read **Ephesians 4:31-32**. How can these verses guide us in managing our words when emotions are high, especially with those we love?

BIBLICAL REFLECTION _____

1. **Proverbs 18:21** says, "The tongue can bring death or life." How have you seen this play out in a family relationship—either in healing or in hurt?
2. In **Matthew 12:36-37**, Jesus says we will give account for our words. How does this challenge the way you speak in day-to-day life?
5. **Proverbs 15:1** says, "A gentle answer deflects anger." What might a gentle answer look like in your home, workplace, or friendships?