

life groups

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Life Application Notes - Success in Speech 25th June 2017

Opening Up

Speech is Powerful. Proverbs 18v21a – “The tongue has the power of life and death”

- As a light-hearted intro, discuss powerful words / speeches you can recall words from – such as Martin Luther King / political speeches / books etc...
- Turn to the person next to you and share with them one ‘sweet’ word you have had said to you and one ‘sour’ word you have had spoken to you. (can be something quite deep or something light-hearted).
- As the leader of the group, model this to the group sharing a couple of words yourself if you feel appropriate.

Digging In (If you want to as an alternative you can Dig into James 3 on Taming the Tongue and link it in with Sundays message and apply in a similar fashion to below! This will involve a bit more self-study! Or stick with below.

1. Read the key verse in bold definitely. Others are optional.

Proverbs 10v11- “The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life, but the mouth of the wicked conceals violence” Proverbs 8v20, Matt 6v33, Matt 12v34

Pete Spoke about the righteous learn to dwell in the presence of God - Psalm 36v8-9 “They drink their fill of the abundance of Your house; You give them drink from Your river of delights. For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light.”

What have you found helpful in going deeper with God? (ie habits, worship, word etc / useful resources, devotionals) Share with one another. As the person leading perhaps share two or three things you have found personally helpful.

2. The Mouth of the Righteous Vs The mouth of the Wicked – Look up passages as appropriate (not all!) Pray and perhaps pick out one of these statements to apply in everyday Life.

Honest Vs Deceptive (Prov 16v13, Prov 24v26, Prov 27v6-7, Prov 29v5)

Calm Vs Rash (Prov 17v27-28, Prov10v14, Prov18v13, Prov12v18)

Apt Vs Destructive (Proverbs 15v23, Prov 10v32, Prov16v24, Prov16v27-28, Prov18v8, Prov26v20-22)

Questions to do in Pairs perhaps;

- What area in your speech do you need to line back up with ‘the mouth of the righteous’?
- What ‘destructive’ or ‘rash’ words have been said to you?

Prayer for one another, declare the truth over one another.

Wrapping Up

- Memorise a proverb as a group perhaps or as individuals. (My favourite Prov 16v24)
- Encourage one another to be accountable in our speech (perhaps to our pair)