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LIFEgroup Discussion Questions

Table Talk: The Power of Our Words

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Intro:

1. See how the week went and how God used them?

Study:

2. Who does James address as he begins this next section in chapter 3 (3.1)? His words are specifically to leaders of the church who teach, but who all are supposed to teach (Matthew 28.19)? Why does James give this warning in 3.1 (answer found in 3.2)?
3. Where does the problem with our tongue ultimately lie? So, what do we need to continually change us (2 Peter 1.3-8)?
4. With the examples James uses what do we learn about the power of our words (3.3-6)?
5. James speaks of how the tongue is uncontrollable. What is the only help (Helper) we can get to control our tongues? Otherwise, what can the effect of our words be (3.7-10)?
6. God is not looking for Christianese or just words that honor Him only when the church gathers, but what does He want instead? So, what must occur for one's words to truly be changed and to have a tongue controlled by the Holy Spirit (3.11-12)?
7. Think through the use of your tongue (This could be done personally as reflection as maybe 5-7 minutes are given to just think about the following questions or just as a group discussion):
 - Are the words you use in competition events, conversation and social media honoring to God?
 - Do you follow through on your commitments?
 - How often do you verbally declare God's promises? Think of some situations in which this could be of benefit.
 - Are you encouraging with your words? How can you encourage others today with your words?

Pray.