

## 1. REVIEW

Recall a time when you've hurt someone with your words. What was motivating you? \_\_\_\_\_

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Read James 3:1-12. What's wrong with the idea that only our actions, and not our words have the potential to provide powerful influence or painful injury according to this passage? \_\_\_\_\_

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Read Luke 6:45. What do our words tell us about our hearts? Why is the tongue so difficult to control? \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2. ASSESS

Three truths were addressed from the passage in James 3 in regard to the potential of our words?

1. Our words can be used to steer the live of others. (vv.1-5a)
2. Our words can be used to scar the lives of others. (vv.5b-8)
3. Our words can be used to strengthen the lives of others. (vv.9-12)

Which of these truths from God's Word did the Lord use to cause you to be encouraged, reflective, or convicted about? \_\_\_\_\_

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## 3. APPLY

What from James 3:1-12 is speaking to how you are using your words with others? \_\_\_\_\_

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## 4. COMMIT

What is one thing you can commit to do with the men or women in your group, with the power that comes from the Holy Spirit, to take tangible steps to grow in how you are using your words with others? \_\_\_\_\_

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