

Change your **heart!** Change your **mind!** Change your **friends!**

### **Colossians 4:6 (NIV)**

<sup>6</sup> Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

## Small Group Questions

1. If you could improve in one area of speaking, what would it be? why?
2. Where are you most likely to fail in your speech (look at the areas listed above, or perhaps there is another area).
3. What are some other ways our speech is powerful?
4. As you look back over your life, what words/conversations do you remember? Why?
5. Can you articulate the gospel?
6. What changes do you need to make in your life (heart, mind, friends...) in order to change your speech?
7. How can we pray for each other?

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**Watch Your Mouth**  
**James 3:1-12 (NIV)**

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### 1. **Aspiring teachers \_\_\_\_\_! (1-2)**

- a. All speech is \_\_\_\_\_

*Where do you fail in your speech?*

Speaking in <b>anger</b>	Speaking <b>foolishly</b>
Speaking <b>falsely</b>	Speaking <b>profanely</b>
Speaking <b>pridefully</b>	Speaking <b>cruelly</b>

### **Proverbs 13:3 (NIV)**

<sup>3</sup> He who guards his lips guards his life, but he who speaks rashly will come to ruin.

- b. Therefore, teachers are in greater \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Teachers will be held to greater \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. **Our speech is \_\_\_\_\_ (3-8)**

- a. It has a \_\_\_\_\_ influence

### 3. **Our speech has the \_\_\_\_\_ for good or ill (9-12)**

- a. Our words show \_\_\_\_\_ we really are
- b. Our words show \_\_\_\_\_ we are

*How do we change our words?*