

Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

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BIBLE PASSAGES -

Ephesians 4:29 states, "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."

Colossians 4:6 2 Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. 3 And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. 4 Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. 5 Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. 6 Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Heb 10:22 let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 25 not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Other Passages: Matthew 15:10-20

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, and take time to fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

- 1) How did you do with the Fast? Will there be a second week added for you or your family? Discuss how that might have been hard or easy for you and why?
- 2) Discuss as a group how words have played a role in your life, what is one encouraging word that you remember to be helpful?
- 3) Hebrews 10 talks about us being able to come with cleanliness before God, what does that mean and how is that possible for us today?
- 4) What kind of conversations do you find yourself ignoring and what conversations do you enjoy running into? What does that tell you about yourself and how does that impact your daily walk with the Lord?
- 5) Colossians 4 gives many examples of how speech should look for all believers, Praying, Pausing, preaching, proclaiming. Discuss each of these and which is hardest and why.
- 6) Take some time in your group to Pause and offer up encouragement, prayer for one another or maybe proclaim/share the truth that God is bringing to light in your life today.

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS