

Fellowship Group Questions for *Like Jesus*

Sermon #3 – *Speak Like Jesus*

What part of the sermon on Sunday caught your attention the most?

If nothing else, the research shows that we use thousands of words a day to communicate. What percentage of our daily words would you guess are wasted, or better left unsaid?

Read James 3:8-12. What does this passage tell us about what we say? **Our tongue (words that we say) is like a weapon. What we say can be like poison. We bless and curse with the same tongue and this should not be the case. We need the restraining power of the Holy Spirit to help us control our speech.**

What does it mean to be a “follower of Jesus?” **It means that you have placed your faith in him alone for your eternal salvation. You believe that His death and resurrection paid the sin debt that you could never pay. Because you have placed your faith in Him you have become His follower, His disciple seeking to imitate Him—trying to be like Him.**

Share a situation where God helped you to incorporate biblical language into your speech; perhaps it was sharing a biblical principle with someone going through a tough situation, or an opportunity to specifically share the gospel.

If you speak like Jesus you’re going to speak controversial words. Why would speaking like Jesus be controversial? **If you proclaim the deity and exclusivity of Jesus in our society today, you are proclaiming controversial words.**

Read Proverbs 18:21.

How can what we say bring life or death? **Our words can penetrate to the very heart of people. We can use healing words or harmful words. Proverbs 18:21 reminds us how important it is that we guard what we say.**

Read 1 John 3:13. If we speak like Jesus what kind of response should we expect from the world?

Share a time where you spoke like Jesus and were rejected.

Share a time where you spoke like Jesus and what you spoke was used by God to help someone.

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