

Group Leader Guide - Week 2 Sermon Recap

Danny emphasizes the profound impact of words, likening them to a hammer that can either build or destroy. He illustrates how words can either uplift and restore confidence, or crush spirits and harm relationships. As followers of Jesus, we are accountable for using our words to encourage and support others, remembering who we represent in our interactions. Ultimately, Danny calls for a conscious effort to let love guide our words, highlighting that the source of our words determines their weight, impact, and outcome.

Ice Breaker

What is the most memorable interaction you've ever had with a complete stranger?

Discussion Questions

▶ Why do you think words can have such a powerful impact on people, both positively and negatively?

▶ Why do you think it is important for Christians to be mindful of their words, as mentioned in the sermon?

Read Scripture

John 13:34-35 NIV

³⁴ "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Ephesians 4:29 NIV

²⁹ 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.

1 Corinthians 13:1 NIV

¹ If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.

Discussion Questions

► Danny referenced John 13:34, where Jesus commands us to love one another. How do you think loving someone affects the way we communicate with them?

► Danny talked about how the source of a word determines its weight. Why do you think the relationship we have with someone affects how we perceive their words?

► Reflect on the concept that every conversation is a construction site. How can you apply this idea in your interactions with others?

Source determines weight. Weight determines impact. Impact determines outcome.

Prayer

- Ask God to help us remember the power of our words throughout the week.
- Pray for wisdom in how we use our words to build each other up.
- Ask for opportunities to be a light and a source of encouragement to those around us.

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