1. Are you willing to admit your communication weaknesses, recognize recurring themes, confess to God and those you have offended, and commit to new patterns of talk? (All of this is based on embracing Christ's promise that his strength is made perfect in our weakness.)
2. Are you able to humbly consider what others point out as sin in your talk? Or do you deny, rationalize, turn the tables, shift blame, or wallow in your failure?
3. Do you daily thank the Lord for his provision, and the hope it gives that you can speak in a way that blesses others and glorifies him?

**Course Outline:**

Part One: Talk is Not Cheap

1. When God Speaks
2. When Satan Speaks
3. ***The Word in the Flesh***
4. Idol Words

Part Two: A New Agenda for Our Talk

1. He is King!
2. Following the King for All the Wrong Reasons
3. Speaking for the King
4. Getting to the Destination
5. Citizens in Need of Help
6. On the King’s Mission

Part Three: Winning the War of Words

1. First Things First
2. Winning the War of Words
3. Choosing Your Words

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**Part One: Talk is Not Cheap**

**Class 3: The Word in the Flesh**

1. **Introduction**
2. **The Coming of the Word**

*(John 1:1-5, 10-14, 16-18)*

1. **The War Beneath the War of Words**

*(Ephesians 6:12)*

1. **The Right Resources for the Struggle**

*(Ephesians 1:15-23)*

1. **Hope**

*(Ephesians 1:18)*

1. **Riches**

*(Ephesians 1:18, 2 Peter 1:3)*

1. **Power**

*(Ephesians 1:19, 3:20)*

1. **Rule**

*(Ephesians 1:21-23)*

1. **Conclusion: Christ and Your Talk**

Examine your communication with others this week. Was it built on the solid foundation that Christ has established for us? For example:

1. Do you humbly admit your inability and seek the Lord's help before important times of communication?
2. In your primary relationships, are you seeking to accomplish with words what only the Lord can do by his grace and power?
3. Do you fall prey to hopelessness, such that you either give up speaking when your words are needed, or give in to patterns of sinful talk?