
Course Outline:

Part One: Talk is Not Cheap

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

Part Two: A New Agenda for Our Talk

5. He is King!
6. Following the King for All the Wrong Reasons
7. Speaking for the King
8. Getting to the Destination
- 9. *Citizens in Need of Help***
10. On the King's Mission

Part Three: Winning the War of Words

11. First Things First
12. Winning the War of Words
13. Choosing Your Words

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AM Core Seminars—War of Words

Part Two: A New Agenda for our Talk

Class 9: Citizens in Need of Help



I. INTRODUCTION

- Question

II. CONFRONTATION SO SCARY?

- We're sinners.
- Troublesome ways in confrontation
 - i. *Personal anger*
 - ii. *Poor data gathering*
 - iii. *Assumed motives*
 - iv. *Bad language and words*
 - v. *Mistaking the enemy*
 - vi. *Scripture as a club?*
 - vii. *My will or God's?*
 - viii. *Immediate change expectation*

All these cause us to avoid confrontation whenever and however possible!

III. A VERY DIFFERENT WAY: OUR WORDS AS GOD'S TOOL

- Nathan confronts David (**2 Samuel 12:1-9**) – We need God to raise up people who will do the hard job of helping us see ourselves as God does.
- Communication's higher goal: ***A tool for your sanctification and that of others.***

IV. OUR TALK AND SIN'S DECEITFULNESS

- ***Hebrews 3:12-15***

Sinful ———> Unbelieving ———> Turn Away ———> Hardened heart

V. EACH ONE A HELPER, EACH NEEDING HELP

- Frequency: An everyday readiness
- Spirit: The humility of the Gospel
- The Message: Encouragement to persevere

VI. A MODEL OF CONFRONTATION

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GETTING PERSONAL: GETTING TO THE DESTINATION

1. Critique the last time you confronted someone (spouse, child, or friend) using the *ENCOURAGE* model as a guide. In what ways did you follow this model? In what ways do you need to change the way you confront others?
2. Where have you avoided confrontation, leaving issues unresolved and relationships unreconciled?
3. Are you harboring anger or bitterness toward anyone that can hinder opportunities for constructive confrontation?
4. What sin has God recently shown you to remind you of your ongoing need of his grace? Does this keep you humble as you consider the failures of others?
5. What scripture passages help you face your sin and continue your fight with it? What are your God-given opportunities to share these with others?