

## FROM THE BIBLE

James 3:3-5 (NLT)
Proverbs 18:21 (NLT)
Ephesians 4:29 (NIV)
Proverbs 16:24 (NLT)
1 Samuel 30:6 (KJV)

## **MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE**

My Big Fat Mouth | Week 4 | And That's The Way I Want It!

- 1. In this message, Joel started out by telling a few stories of small things that make a big difference (i.e. wasabi & well done steak vs medium rare steak). Can you give an example of a small thing that makes a big difference?
- 2. Read James 3:3-5 and talk about how words are small but they can make a big difference.
- 3. Read Proverbs 18:21. In this message, Joel said your words can *boost* people or *bury* people. Give an example of how you've experienced both.
- 4. In this message, we said *if you can't say something helpful...bury it!* Read Ephesians 4:29 & talk about what you think would happen in your life if you did this, this week?
- 5. In this message, Joel said one of his life mottos is *if you think something good...say it!* Read Proverbs 16:24. What do you think about that motto? What sort of impact do you normally experience when you give someone a boost with your words?
- 6. We closed this message with the idea that sometimes the harshest words we speak...are to ourselves. Read 1 Samuel 30:6. What did David do? Does it sound weird to *encourage yourself in the Lord*? Why or why not?
- 7. Joel challenged all of us with this: everytime you say something, make sure you can add the phrase "and that's the way I want it" afterwards. How did that shift your perspective on the words you speak?



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