



## Sermon Discussion Questions - November 21 & 23, 2025

### Threats From the Enemy Series

#### Week 5: Divisive/Hateful Speech

##### Cornerstone Men

Cornerstone Men equips men to follow Jesus, connect in community, and grow in their faith.

[cornerstonechurch.community/men](https://cornerstonechurch.community/men)

##### Cornerstone Women

Cornerstone Women's mission is to help women follow Jesus through growth in community at Cornerstone Church.

[cornerstonechurch.community/women](https://cornerstonechurch.community/women)

##### RightNow Media

Cornerstone provides access to RightNow Media. If your group would like to use their resources for a study, check out the site!

[rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/cornerstonesi](https://rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/cornerstonesi)

##### Meal for Care Night

Each week, a small group provides dinner for attendees of Care Night, held on Wednesday nights. If your group is interested in serving in this way, email Gayle at [gdwight@cornerstone.team](mailto:gdwight@cornerstone.team).

**Ice Breaker:** *We've all had moments where we have lost control of our words.*

- **Q1: Have you ever had a funny or embarrassing “foot-in-the-mouth” moment? What happened?**

*We live in a world full of rants and hot takes, and it's taking a serious toll on us.*

- **Q2: Where do you notice “rant culture” or “hot-take culture” showing up in everyday life? What emotions does it usually stir up in you?**

*Our words are powerful tools—they can bring life or death depending on how we wield them.*

- **Q3: Can you think of a time when someone's words—good or bad—really shaped you?**

- **Q4: If you looked back at the things you've said over the past 48 hours, would you say your words have been more encouraging or more damaging? Why?**

*The words that come out of our mouths reveal the condition of our hearts.*

- **Q5: When are you most tempted to speak impulsively—when you're tired, hurt, angry, online, around certain people, etc.?**
- **Q6: What might it look like this week to intentionally “hold back” or restrain your tongue?**

*The Gospel cleanses our hearts and helps us speak words of love and grace to those around us.*

- **Q7: How does the gospel reshape the way we speak—especially when we've been wronged or feel unheard?**
- **Q8: What's one environment—home, work, church, online—where you sense God inviting you to be a peacemaker with your words?**

*Learning to restrain our tongues and “build others up” with our words takes intentional practice!*

- **Q9: Challenge: Close out today's discussion time by speaking words of encouragement to someone in your group!**

*Take a few minutes to encourage each other, and spend some time in prayer together!*

*Upcoming Scripture: Isaiah 9*