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- Is it _____?
- Is it _____?
- Will it _____ according to _____?
- Will it be _____ for those that hear it?

Let your speech be . . .

- _____.
 - Sharing grace gives a _____ and an _____. (Ps 34:8)
- _____.
 - Salt adds _____ and creates _____.

Application

1. Realize that _____ is short and _____ is long.
2. Live like _____ matter.
3. Be _____ and _____.
4. Be _____ and _____.

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Before we speak, ask . . .

- Is it true?
- Is it wholesome?
- Will it build others up according to their needs?
- Will it be beneficial for those that hear it?

Let your speech be . . .

- Gracious
 - Sharing grace gives a testimony and an invitation. (Psalm 34:8)
- Salty
 - Salt adds flavor and creates thirst.

Application

1. Realize that time is short and eternity is long.
2. Live like lost people matter.
3. Be gracious and engaging.
4. Be ready and share.