

## **Hope Chapel Series: “Relational Revival” part 2**

**Message Summary:** Words matter. What we say matters in relationships and in life. Sometimes the wounds that come from what people have said to us can last a lifetime! Over the past 2 years, the world has become an even more verbally toxic place. Words have power! How we talk says a lot about our spiritual maturity. This is why one of the major areas of our **ongoing spiritual growth** is in the area of our language and conversations. If people listened to our conversations, would it be obvious that it sounds like Jesus? Today, we look at four ways we experience Relational Revival with our Words?

# **Relational Revival with Our Words**

## **1. Relational Love Speaks the Truth – Ephesians 4:25**

- A. Practice verbal transparency**
- B. Practice truthfulness as a relational pressure valve**

## **2. Relational Love Builds Others Up – Ephesians 4:29**

- A. Have a commitment to speak words of affirmation**
- B. Have a commitment to speak according to their needs**

## **3. Relational Love is Gracious and Attractive – Colossians 4:6**

- A. Conversation that has a sweet attitude**
- B. Conversation that is correct for the moment**

## **4. Relational Love Removes Everything Unwholesome – Colossians 3:7-9**

- A. How we talk should indicate which Kingdom we live for**
- B. How we talk impacts my relationship with God**

## **LifeGroup QUESTIONS:**

**BEGIN IT** – (5 min) Time in praise & opening prayer.

**OPEN IT**- (10 min) How does it feel to be on the receiving end of unloving words?

**EXPLORE IT**- (60 min) Take time to review Sunday’s message outline and share notes taken by the group.

1. How guilty can we be of speaking unloving words to others? Do you think it has gotten worse in our culture over the past 2 years? Explain.
2. Discuss what it looks like to love by speaking the truth to others. Do you feel that lying has become normal in our culture today? Explain.
3. What unwholesome things have become part of your normal conversations that you need to consider removing? How does my words effect my relationship with God?
4. Would others describe your conversations as gracious and attractive? What changes do you need to make in order to have a relational revival with others?

**APPLY IT**- (15 min) What can you do to love others in a manner by building them up with your words? Explain how are you going to love with your words this week.