



LOVING WITH YOUR WORDS
40 Days of Love – Part 3
February 1, 2009 – Denny Dennison

James 3:2-6 – The Message

We get it wrong nearly every time we open our mouths. If you could find someone whose speech was perfectly true, you'd have a perfect person, in perfect control of life.

3-5 A bit in the mouth of a horse controls the whole horse. A small rudder on a huge ship in the hands of a skilled captain sets a course in the face of the strongest winds. A word out of your mouth may seem of no account, but it can accomplish nearly anything—or destroy it!By our speech we can ruin the world, turn harmony to chaos, throw mud on a reputation, send the whole world up in smoke and go up in smoke with it, smoke right from the pit of hell.

- My mouth directs where I go.
- My mouth can destroy what I have.
- My mouth displays who I am.

Think Before You Speak

T – is it Truthful?

H – is it Helpful?

I – is it Inspirational?

N – is it Necessary?

K – is it Kind?

This Week – Week of February 1

Daily Devotion: Read Days 22-29 in *Relationship Principles of Jesus*. (Discussion Questions, page 329)

DVD Small Group Discussion # 3 in 40 Days Study Guide