



Cuyahoga
Valley Church

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

Week of 03.17.24
Exodus 20:16 // Joe Valenti

Please take the opportunity to revisit the CVC Equip
Portrait of a Healthy LifeGroup on a regular basis

CONNECT (10 MIN)

- 1 Think about a time when words had a significant impact on you, either positively or negatively. Do you remember what was said? Did the person speaking know their words had such an effect on you? Share your experience with the weight of words in your life.

EXPLORE (30 MIN)

Create Context (5 min):

Watch the Sermon Recap Video [HERE](#).

Study & Discussion (25 min)

- 2 Read the following passages: Proverbs 12:18, 15:4, 15:28, 16:24, 29:20. As we are asking the Lord to clean our hearts and change our speech, we can be purposeful in practicing godliness. What can you glean from these passages to put into action in order to bring life with your words?
- 3 Pastor Joe mentioned that the life-giving side of flattery is genuine encouragement. What does genuine encouragement look like? Use the 4 S's (Specific, Sincere, Strengths-based, Spirit-led) to bring genuine encouragement to someone in your group right now.
- 4 In James 3:1-12, James uses very strong language to describe the immense power capable of such a small part of our body. Do your words reflect a belief that this is true? If what James is saying is true, why are we so flippant with the way we use our words? Read James 1:19-21. Why does James give this advice?
- 5 Read Matthew 12:33-37. We know that we are made right with God by grace through faith in Christ alone. Why does Jesus say here that we will be justified by our words?



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [7 Tips For Becoming A Better Encourager](#)
- [Is It Ever Right To Lie?](#)

APPLY (15 MIN)

- What would you change immediately if your words actually brought physical harm?
- Can you determine the heart sin behind that?

PRAY (15 MIN)

- Read 1 Peter 2:24. Reflect on the fact that Jesus did not respond to those reviling Him. In fact, He never sinned in His words even once. Pray and ask God to make you more like His Son.



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EQUIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of 3.17.24

Please take a moment to share these announcements with your group.

More information on each item can be found by scanning the QR codes.

CVC YOUNG ADULTS

Worship Night // March 22, 2024

CVC Young Adult ministry is hosting a worship night at the Broadview Heights campus on Friday, March 22nd. This will be a time of focused prayer, fellowship, and worship together for all young adults (18-29 year olds). You can join in on pursuing the Lord together for this time set aside at 7pm. No registration is required.



Good Friday & Easter Sunday Services // March 29 - 31, 2024

You are invited to join us for our Good Friday service at 6:30pm on March 29th at either our Broadview Heights or Brunswick campus. Our Easter Sunday services will be taking place at both our Broadview Hts. & Brunswick campuses as well. We'll be having 4 services at Broadview Hts. (Saturday at 5pm or Sunday at 8am, 9:30am, or 11:15am) and 3 services at Brunswick (8am, 9:30am, or 11:00am). Additionally, CVCKids will be providing a kids giant ball pit at the Broadview Heights campus after the 5pm service Saturday evening. We'd encourage you to consider who you can invite to Easter Weekend.