WORKSHOP TITLE: The Meeting Place--

The Power of Your Words

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCES: James 3:10, Psalms 19:14

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WORKSHOP FOCUS: You may have put on the whole armor of

God, but what are you doing with the

smallest tool in your arsenal???

## 1. Words Have Creative Power Isaiah 55:11, Mark 11:13-14, Mark 11:23, Proverbs 19:21

- Words can build or destroy, shape or hinder. Whether spoken to others, yourself, or God, words carry influence over how reality is perceived and experienced. The power of words can manifest blessings or harm, hope or despair.
- Understanding this power reminds us to speak intentionally and with purpose.
- Because our words are so powerful, we have to make a decision to forgive the past and change our future

## 2. What Are You Saying to Others? Proverbs 16:24, Prov 15:4, James 3:5

- Your words can uplift, encourage, and empower others, or they can wound, discourage, and tear down. The way you speak to friends, family, co-workers can leave a lasting impact.
- Ask yourself: Are my words promoting encouragement, hope, faith, forgiveness, understanding, and kindness? Am I using my speech to inspire and bring life?

## 3. What Are You Saying to God? Matthew 9:18, Matt 9:27-31

- Communication with God is a reflection of faith and relationship.
  Through prayer, praise, and honest conversation, your words express trust, gratitude, or even doubt.
- Are your prayers filled with expectation and hope, or are they filled by fear and uncertainty? We as believes must align our speaking with God's Word. Our words demonstrate our faith and will draw us closer to Him.
- Do your words reflect a heart of thankful and praise?

4. What Are You Saying to Yourself? Mark 5: 25-30. Proverbs 12:6, Proverbs 13:3, 2 Cor 6:12 (MSG)

- The our inner dialogue shapes the self-perception and destiny.
  Positive self-talk promotes confidence, resilience, and growth, while negative self-talk breeds insecurity, fear, and defeat.
- Are you speaking truth and love to yourself, or are you limiting your potential through doubt and criticism?

## 5. The Responsibility of Words James 3:3-11, Proverbs 18:21, Proverbs 15:4, Proverbs 21:23

- Understanding the influence of your words comes with a responsibility to speak with wisdom, compassion, and truth. Whether in daily interactions, prayers, or inner thoughts, your words shape your world. Be mindful of their power and choose them carefully to align with your values, purpose, and faith.
- Make a decision to begin to watch the words from your mouth because they will determine the course of your life. With your words you can inspire, encourage, motivate others, and speak directly to God with a pure heart.