

# HOMEGROUPS

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## AT ONELIFE

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### Home Group Questions and Discussion

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1. Read Luke 6:43-45. Since the mouth speaks what the heart is full of, our mouth is almost like a thermometer showing what's really going on inside. When you think about your conversations, jokes, or private moments of talking to yourself in the shower, what is it showing goes on inside? Does it surprise you? Scare you? Motivate you?

2. Read Colossians 3:1, 8-10. When you see that "filthy language" is lumped in with these other "big sins" how does it change your view of the importance of guarding your heart through the words that come out of your mouth? What factors make it difficult to rid yourself of "filthy language"? Why is it so easy to begin slipping in this area, almost without realizing it?

3. Read James 3:1-5. This talks about the tongue guiding everything in our lives. How have you experienced this? When have you noticed that the conversations you have affect everything about you? When have you experienced someone words changing your life for the better or worse? When have your words changed someone else for the better or worse?

4. Read James 3:6-12. These verses drive home the point that what's really in our heart comes out of our mouths. We can pretend to praise God with the same mouth, but are only fooling ourselves. How have you experienced this in your own life? How have you seen that when "salt water" is coming out of the spring, it blocks out the "fresh water"? Similarly, have you ever experienced the "fresh water" flowing in a way that prevents the "salt water" from becoming a driving force in your heart?

5. At the end of the day, the important thing to focus on is not just working hard to clean up your language and conversations, but it is more important to understand where your heart is. Because the root determines the fruit! What are some practical ways this week that you can guard your heart so that the words coming from it honor God and allow you to grow closer to Him?

