

"The Power of Words" Rev. Larry W. Tieman, Senior Pastor Immanuel Lutheran Church October 10-11, 2015

THE MOST POWERFUL WORD PHRASES

BY GOD'S GRACE, THE P.O.W.E.R. OF MY WORDS CAN BE HARNESSED

1. PRACTICE STARTING______.

"I will praise you every day; yes, I will praise you forever" – Psalm 145:2

2. OFFER WORDS OF ______ TO OTHERS DAILY.

> "So speak encouraging words to one another" – 1 Thessalonians 5:11

THREE TRUTHS ABOUT MY WORDS

Truth #1: Words are a G______.

Truth #2: Words can B_____ OR T_____

Truth #3: The quality of your L_____ is determined by

the quality of your W_____.

The serveONE Challenge: Serve one person once a day for the rest of this year!

<u>Memory Verse</u>: "The tongue has the power of life and death." (Prov. 18:21)

3. WORK TO REMOVE ALL ______ FROM MY SPEECH.

"[The tongue] is restless and evil, full of deadly poison. Sometimes it praises our Lord and Father, and sometimes it curses those who have been made in the image of God. And so blessing and cursing come pouring out of the same mouth . . . this is not right!"

– James 3:8-10

5. RELEASE MY _____

(Jesus) "But the words you speak come from the heart – that's what defiles you."

- Matthew 15:11

"Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God."

- Romans 6:13

4. EXERCISE ______ TWICE AS MUCH AS I _____.

"Fools think their own way is right, but the wise listen to others."

– Proverbs 12:15

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO...

- □ Memorize Proverbs 18:21.
- Accept the serveONE challenge for the rest of the year.
- Harness my words in the following areas: (circle all that apply) $1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5$
- Commit to be a part of this series, as much as possible.

Join us next Sunday as we continue our teaching series "Tongue Pierced" with "What Your Words Say About You (Gossip & Rumor)."

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