

Text: James 5:12-20
Topics: Speech, Suffering, Sinning
Series: Genuine Faith on the Anvil of Life.

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Use Your Words Well!

I. The Speech Among You (12)

Skip the oaths, just keep your word.

II. The Suffering Among You (13-18)

God designated prayer as the way to His help, so pray for one another!

III. The Sinning Among You (19-20)

Speak God's truth to those who wander away from the Christian life to help them get back on track.

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.*

1. What makes a person's words most helpful and encouraging?

2. In James 5:12 the reader is urged to keep their word and not make oaths. Can you think of an example of making or taking an oath? Why would someone take or make an oath?

If there's an area you are most likely to not follow through and keep your word, or tell the full truth, what would it be?

3. Read James 5:13-18. Who is James addressing and what is he saying they should do? What does he assure them of?

How might Christians misunderstand and misuse these verses?

Does our church practice this? How could it do better?

4. Read James 5:19-20. Have you tried to help someone, or has someone helped you, straying from the truth to get back on track? What happened?

Explain how you would try to help someone wandering away from the faith.

5. What's one exhortation in James that's most practical for you to grow in your Christian life?