



I LOVE MY CONNECT

STUDY 3

Godly Conversation

'...Your true being brims over into true words and deeds.'
(Luke 6:45 MSG)

At times we can be so focused on walking the walk and serving God that we fail to talk about Jesus and what we have learned from God's word. If we want to grow in our love for Jesus and his kingdom and if we want to stir others to a relationship with him then we need to both act and speak. We need to develop the art of godly conversation.

Why is it important to have God's word in our hearts and mouths?

- ***It helps us (and others) process truth and resolve (Luke 24:32)***
- ***It helps establish salvation in our hearts (Romans 10:9)***
- ***It changes and charges the atmosphere (Colossians 4:6)***
- ***It helps accomplish God's purposes (Isaiah 55:11)***
- ***It helps teach young hearts and gives legacy a future (Psalm 145:4)***
- ***Above all it honours Jesus (Colossians 3:16,17)***

CONNECTION AND ACTION Use these questions to promote conversation and connection.

- Q:** Read James 3:3-10 and Matthew 12:34-37. What can we learn from these verses about what we say? What sort of conversations do you think fit into the negative category?
- Q:** Think about the conversations that you have had recently. How many have been about Jesus or what you have learned in your Bible reading? Share an example.
- Q:** Choose ONE or TWO of the points on why it is important to have God's word in our hearts and mouths and look up the verses connected with them. Discuss how you can make them part of your daily conversation.
- Q:** Read Deuteronomy 30:14. What have you learned from the Bible this week that has encouraged you and could encourage someone else?
- Q:** Share with each other something that you love about Jesus.

Prayer: Pray for each other that you will have some godly conversations this week.

HIGHLIGHTS COMING UP

- **EASTER WEEKEND** – Who can you invite to church during this powerful weekend!! From our Good Friday services (joining in Communion) to our Resurrection Sunday services (With Reinhard Bonnke Sunday night), we will be celebrating the Cross = Love message of Jesus. See myhillsong.com/easter for service times and everything you need to know.

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BIBLE AND BELIEF Use these questions to help believers develop a biblical worldview.

1: The power and source of our words

Q: Discuss these passages in relation to our conversations. What are do you have to watch out for?

Read: James 3:3-10; Matthew 12:34-37; Proverbs 16:28 and Proverbs 18:2, 7.

2: Reasons for having God's word in our mouth

Q. Choose ONE or TWO of the points on why it is important to have God's word in our hearts and mouths and look up the verses connected with them. Discuss how you can make them part of your daily conversation.

3. Godly conversations

Q. What do you learn about godly conversations from Jesus' conversation with the Samaritan woman?

Read: Colossians 4:6 and John 4:7-26

Prayer: Pray for each other that you will have some godly conversations this week.

GROWING LEADERSHIP Use these questions to help people in your group grow as leaders.

Q: Read James 3:3-10. Discuss ways in which we need to guard our conversations especially as leaders.

Q. Read Colossians 4:6. Discuss how you can change and charge the atmosphere with your conversation. What does it mean to have conversation that is full of grace and seasoned with salt?

Q: Read Deuteronomy 30:14. What have you learned from the Bible this week that has encouraged you and could encourage someone else?

Check Up

Check in with leaders in your group on:

- Growing and multiplying connect groups this year
- Raising and developing leaders

PRAY TOGETHER

- For Easter!!! That many people would encounter the Love of God through the message of The Cross!

NATION BUILDERS Use this section to inspire and inform people on the difference their giving can make. Together we support

1. **Church Planting.** Moscow, Paris, NYC, Stockholm, Amsterdam, Germany, Japan and Toronto.

2. **Gospel Missions.** Missions Aviation Fellowship, Sports Chaplaincy, overseas workers in China, Kazakstan, Pakistan, Thailand and South East Asia.

In previous years, we sowed seed into Churches in London, Kiev and Cape Town. Today we see incredible fruit! How exciting that we can now plant seed into new Churches like NYC and Germany. Your giving TODAY will make a difference in the nations TOMORROW.

A great way to inspire your group would be to show the clip of Ps Brian speaking at our Heart & Soul Night on MyHillsong. He encouraged every connect group to set a Faith Goal. We have provided some really practical guidelines on MyHillsong.com/MyConnectGroup/Studies&Resources to help you with this. Once you have set your Faith Goal, please enter it on MyHillsong in the *Connect Group/Details* section. Thank you!

