

**Goal:**

This week's discussion will show us the ways in which our words are seeds that we sow into our lives and will explain the importance of sowing seeds that are not in line with what we can see or understand, but with the Word of God.

**Conversation Starter:**

People tend to like to have control of their surroundings and to be able to piece together the way that things are going to work in their own strength. Do you know anyone in your life who likes to have this kind of control? What kinds of things do you like to control in your own life?

**Review:**

Ask Life Group members to share their favorite points from the sermon, what spoke to them, a phrase or moment from the sermon they related to the most, or questions they have. If members have a hard time recalling the sermon, talk through your notes and share your favorite points.

## Discussion

## The Word is a Seed

Read: Proverbs 18:21

- The author of this proverb is comparing the words we speak to a seed in the ground. In what ways are our
- words like seeds?
- In ..... God promises that there will always be seedtime and harvest. When we apply this concept to our words,
- how important is it to watch over what we say?

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that the seed will not lay dormant in the ground. The farmer requires the faith to see beyond what is in front of him and

instead see the promise and the potential stored within that seed.

Pastor Nathan said, "God doesn't need you to figure every detail out." In fact, trying

to figure every detail out can keep you from engaging your faith and believing what God has said. When a farmer plants a seed, he does so believing that the seed will bear fruit. He believes that the seed will not lay dormant in the ground. The farmer requires the faith to see beyond what is in front of him and instead see the promise and the potential stored within that seed.

We Plant and Water before we see results.

Read: Number 13:16-20, 27-33, Numbers 14:1-4, 11-12, and 20-26

- In Genesis 17:18, God promised Abraham that his descendants would inherit the land of Canaan. In our passage
- above, the spies were sent out to explore the land of Canaan. Based on our sermon this week, what mistake did the 10 spies make?
- How did the ten spies perspective compare to Joshua and Caleb's assessment of the situation?
- What was the seed each group of people sowed (the 10 spies vs. Caleb and Joshua) and how did it affect the
- outcome of their situation?
- In our own lives, how can we guard against being like the 10 spies and strive to have faith like Joshua and
- Caleb?
- Sometimes we like to have complete control over what is going on in our lives, and that desire for control
- can cause us to live by sight rather than faith. What other outside factors can we allow to influence our faith?

### Make it Personal

- What are some areas where it is easy for you to try to figure out things in your natural understanding?
- Pastor Nathan said that we should see our words as a hand reaching out to
- possess what we are speaking. What are some other examples, either in the Bible or in your own life, of people receiving the very things that they spoke?
- What are some words God has given you, either personally or through His Written Word, that you can go back
- to when you need to build your faith?

### Act on it

The word AMEN means, “so be it to me.” When we say, all God’s promises are yes and amen, we are really saying, all God’s promises are true, and they’re true for me too! What promises in the Bible are you saying Amen to this week? Challenge yourself to speak life into those promises and sow seeds of faith regardless of what you see!

### Prayer, prayer requests, and testimonies

Ask Life Group members to share any prayer requests or testimonies they have. Record any notes or prayer requests to pray for members during the week.