### **Words with Friends: Winning Words**

**BIG IDEA:** Our words have the power not only to change a life, but also to change an eternity.

### INTRODUCTION:

- A. The words we use and the ways in which we use those words are important. Why?
- B. The words we speak carry a lot of power.

**The Power Of Our Words - Prov. 18:21** – "Death and life are in the power of the tongue" (ESV)

- A. Death and life to us (Matt. 12:36-37)
- B. Death and life to others we can speak words that help to bring people into a saving relationship with Jesus Christ. Let that sink in.

## God Expects Us To Use Our Words To Share The Gospel

- A. Jesus commanded His disciples to go into all the world and preach (Matt. 28:18-20, Mk. 16:15-16).
- B. Jesus expected His disciples to be His witnesses (Acts 1:8).
- C. Every day we use lots of words (16,000 on average). How often are the words we use words that have the potential to bring someone else eternal life?

# Why Not Use Winning Words That Lead To Life?

- A. Fear
- B. Lack of Knowledge
- C. We Don't Understand The Importance
- D. We Just Don't Care (Matt. 7:13-14)

### **Sharing Winning Words (Acts 3-4)**

- A. Take Opportunities (3:11-12)
- B. Make Your Words Count (3:14-21)
- C. Accept Some People Will Not Be Receptive (4:1-3).
- D. Understand The Potential for Victory (4:4).

### **CONCLUSION:**

- A. We may know what the Bible says and even what we are to say when it comes to those who are lost, but if we fail to say what needs to be said, we lose and so do those who need to hear what we have to say.
- B. Warning: We will be held accountable if we fail to share the Gospel (Ezek. 3:17-21).