



“A New Talk”

Ephesians 4:14 – 5:2

Message Series: “Out of Control –
Taming the Power of the Tongue”

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Four choices we need to make to improve our talk:

1. Choose **words** of **truth**.

Ephesians 4:14-15

¹⁴ ...so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. ¹⁵ Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ.

2. Choose **words** of **restraint**.

Ephesians 4:25-27

²⁵ Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶ Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and give no opportunity to the devil.

3. Choose words of grace.

Ephesians 4:29-30

²⁹ Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

4. Choose words of forgiveness.

Ephesians 4:32-5:2

³² Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. ¹ Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ² And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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