

## Habit 3: Talking to People

### Lesson 6 — Student Guide

**Prepare for class:** Read 1 Timothy 1:1-17

#### Lesson Goal

The goal of this lesson is to answer the following question: **What is a third good habit that Jesus wants his disciples to have?**

#### Think

#### Evaluate

1. Who are the characters in this story?
2. What are the objects in this story?
3. Where did this story happen?
4. When did this story happen?
5. What is the problem?
6. What events occurred in this story?
7. Is the problem solved?

#### Learn

8. What is the main theme of this lesson?
9. What sin does this lesson teach us to confess?
10. Where do you see the love of God in this lesson?
11. What does God teach us to do in this lesson?

#### Lead

12. What would be a good situation in which to share this message?

#### Additional questions

13. Not all talk is good. Name some ways that talk can be bad.
14. Open a Bible to Ephesians chapter 4.
  - a. Read verse 25. How are we to speak to others?
  - b. Read verse 29. How are we to use our talk to benefit others?

15. In 1 Peter 3:15 we learn that in our hearts we are to “set apart Christ as Lord” and “be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.”
- a. How would you prepare to tell someone how to fix a stove or refrigerator or something else that isn’t working?
  - b. What has God given us to help us prepare to help others learn about him?
  - c. When we are reading and learning God’s Word, we are arming ourselves with the right words to say as we have opportunities to share the saving Word. Being familiar with God’s truths will help us be less timid to speak up when opportunities arise to help others learn about him. But even when we are afraid to speak up, we have help. Read Luke 12:11,12. Who gives that help?
  - d. Think of comments you can say to prepare yourself to share the Lord in situations that often come up. For example: When a person asks, “Are you ready for Christmas?” you could respond, “I’m always ready because I celebrate it as the birth of Jesus, the Savior.” What might you say if a stranger says, “What a beautiful day it is outside!” What might you say when someone says, “I haven’t been feeling well for almost a week”?
  - e. There will be times you might be upset with yourself that you didn’t speak up. Ask God for courage. Ask God for forgiveness. As one pastor often says, “It’s so good to know we have a Savior!”

**Lesson wrap-up**

**What is a third good habit that Jesus wants his disciples to have?**