

Big Fat Mouth - Wk4 CRITICISM

Luke 6:45 ^{NLT} What you say flows from what is in your heart.

3 Reasons we tend to criticize:

1. Arrogant-look down on people not like us, or have an inflated idea of Ourselves
2. Insecure-so we put others down in an attempt to feel better about self
3. Ungrateful-lack of appreciation for others will cause us to over analyze & ultimately UNJUSTLY criticize

Galatians 5:14-15 ^{NLT} ¹⁴ For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵ But if you are always biting and devouring one another, watch out! Beware of destroying one another.

Proverbs 12:18 ^{NLT} Some people make cutting remarks, but the words of the wise bring healing.

Ephesians 4:29 ^{ESV} 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.

LIFE GIVER vs. LIFE TAKER!!!

Deuteronomy 30:19 TODAY I have given you a CHOICE... HERE's our CHOICE TODAY

WHICH DO YOU WANT TO BE?

✓ A FAULT FINDER

Proverbs 21:19 ^{NLT} It's better to live alone in the desert than with a quarrelsome, complaining wife.

✓ A HOPE GIVER

Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 13:11 ^{NLT}I close my letter with these last words: Be joyful. grow to maturity. Encourage each other. Live in harmony and peace. Then the God of love and peace will be with you.

Instead of Giving CRITICISM... Let's give CREDIT!

Who are you most critical of? What could your criticism be destroying?

Who can you begin dealing hope to? How will you do it?