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Series: Things We Need to Talk About

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Message: Gossip

Text: James 3:2-7

## I. The Origin of Gossip

- Gossip is fueled by hell's flames  
**James 3:6**
- Gossip originates from the evil in our hearts  
**Luke 6:45**
- Gossip can be the result of hatred  
**Psalm 103:9; Eph. 4:31**
- Gossip is a product of idleness  
**1 Tim. 5:13; 2 Thess. 3:6**

## II. The Trouble with Gossip

- Gossip is incredibly destructive  
**James 3:6, 8**
- Gossip is the characteristic of unbelievers  
**Rom. 1:28-30**
- Gossip spreads falsehood  
**Eph. 4:25; Prov. 26:20**
- Gossip separates friends  
**Prov. 16:28; Prov. 11:13**

## III. The Remedy for Gossip

- Overlook an Offense  
**Prov. 17:9**
- Don't Listen to Gossipers  
**Prov. 20:19**
- Confront Gossipers  
**Matthew 18:15-17**
- Watch our own tongue  
**Eph. 4:29; Matt. 12:36; Ps. 141:3**