

“BUILDING GODLY RELATIONSHIPS”

The Tool of Salty Communications



CAN WE TALK... COMMUNICATION IS THE C_____ SYSTEM OF EVERY RELATIONSHIP.

 *Colossians 4:6*

I. “LET YOUR SPEECH ALWAYS BE FULL OF GRACE...”

- A. Your communication C_____ and sustains relationships.
- B. Analyze it: What is your communication FULL of?
1. N_____
 2. C_____
 3. C_____
 4. K_____

Grace... which is content and S_____ of communication

II. “SEASONED AS WITH SALT...”

- A. Salty communication P_____
- † The ultimate communication example is J_____
- B. What is your communication seasoned with?
- C. B_____ E_____ S_____ T_____

III. “SO THAT YOU MAY KNOW HOW YOU SHOULD RESPOND TO EACH PERSON.”

- A. Communication occurs if the sent signal is R_____

Practical Tips for Improved Listening:

1. Look someone in the E_____
 2. Avoid forming your R_____ instead of hearing
 3. R_____ what you have heard
 4. C_____ your response
- B. For maximum communication success talk to and about C_____!

COMMON ERRORS IN LISTENING

1. Differences in backgrounds and experience
2. Selective Listening
3. Lack of motivation to listen
4. Your feelings and emotions
5. Insensitivity

BEING AN ACTIVE LISTENER

1. Can't talk and listen simultaneously
2. Listen for main ideas
3. Notice your deaf spots
4. Fight off distractions
5. Empathize with the speaker
6. Withhold judgment
7. React to the message — not the person
8. Listen attentively
9. Ask questions
10. Use reflective listening
11. Use the same content and depth
12. Maintain eye contact
13. Ask for clarification
14. Practice patience



“...Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry.” James 1:19

“He who answers before listening, that is his folly and his shame.” Proverbs 18:13