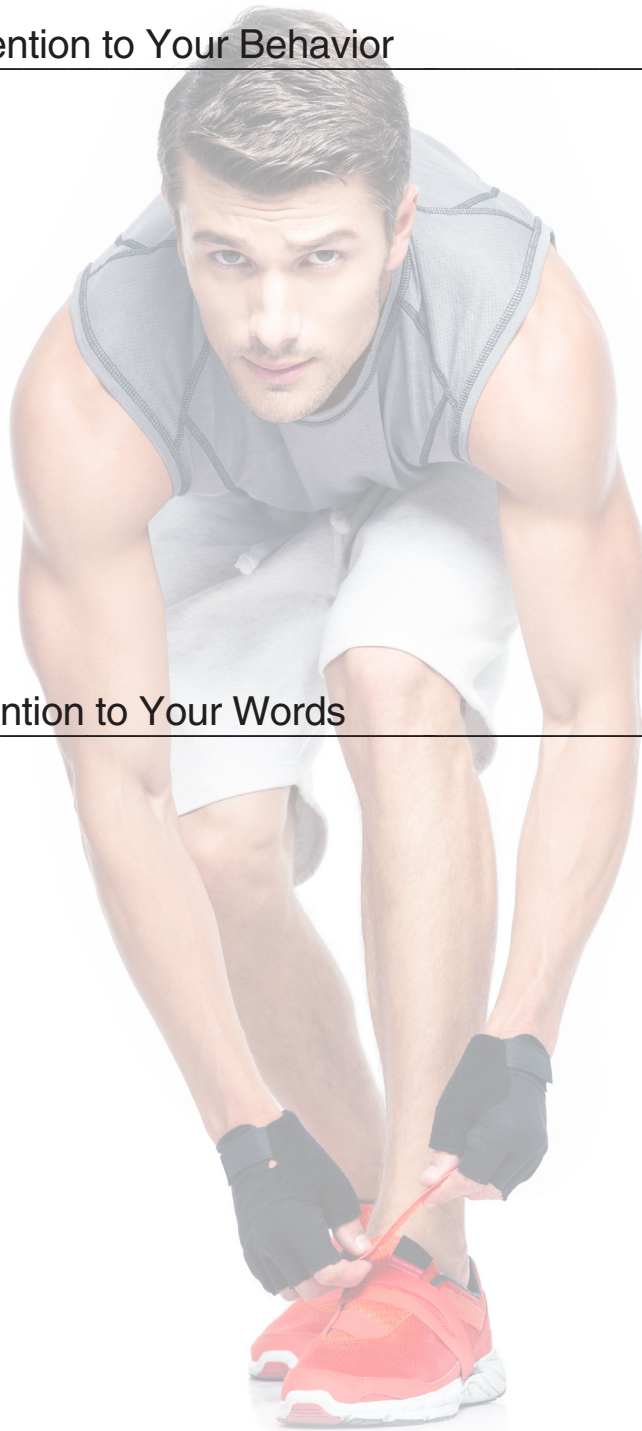


Suit Up!

“ How to Keep Your Christian Witness in Check ”

1. Pay Attention to Your Behavior v. 5



2. Pay Attention to Your Words v. 6

Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

Point #1

- Read Colossians 4:5. In your own words, explain what Paul is exhorting Christians to do. How does Point #1 relate?
- Given that most people will not study the bible to know about Jesus, what does that imply about you?
- How do you feel about your Christian witness today? Why? In what way does Point #1 keep you in check?

Point #2

- Read Colossians 4:6. What does it mean to have gracious and seasoned with salt speech? Give an example.
- Why is this important in light of the speech in today's culture? How should Christians be different?
- In what way is Point #2 dependent on Point #1 and vice versa? How does Point #2 keep you in check? Be specific.

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

MONDAY // Read Colossians 4:5, Matthew 5:14-16

- What was Paul encouraging the Colossian Christians to do? How did Jesus say the same thing?
- What does this imply about your impact on others and how they will understand the Gospel?
- In what way do you need to pay more attention to this issue? What specific step will you take?

TUESDAY // Read Colossians 4:5, 1 Corinthians 9:19-22

- What was Paul encouraging the Corinthian Christians to do when it came to their witness for Jesus?
- In what way was this an expanded explanation of Colossians 4:5? What does this imply about being stubborn?
- How flexible are you toward others in order to be a witness for Jesus? How can you step into this today?

WEDNESDAY // Read Colossians 4:5, Romans 13:11-14, 1 Corinthians 7:29, Galatians 6:9, Ephesians 5:15-16

- What did Paul mean by "making the best use of time" in Colossians 4:5? Why is this important to understand?
- How often do you think about others needing forgiveness and God's mercy? What does this reveal?
- In what way can you be more intentional in looking at your life as you do the Gospel? (i.e., home, work, play, etc.)

THURSDAY // Read Colossians 4:6, James 3:9-10, Psalm 35:28, Proverbs 16:27, Luke 6:28

- Explain the truth of Colossians 4:6 and how our words impact others. How does this relate to evangelism?
- In what way does this elevate your perspective on gossip and criticism? How does this challenge you?
- How will words of encouragement and grace prevent this problem? How will you start today?

FRIDAY // Read Colossians 4:6, Psalm 141:3

- What does Paul highlight about your speech being a witness for Jesus? How does grace and salt relate?
- If your speech were the only thing people could have regarding the Gospel, what would they hear?
- What does this also imply about prayer and the need to listen to yourself? How will you listen today?

SATURDAY // Read Colossians 4:6, 1 Peter 3:15, 2 Timothy 4:2, Matthew 10:19-20

- In terms of having a spiritual discussion, how prepared are you to engage with a non-Christian?
- What is the basis for your answer? In what way has this been something that has held you back?
- What did Jesus have to say about preparation in Matthew 10:19-20? How does this encourage you?

MEDITATION VERSE: ⁵Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. ⁶Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person. **Colossians 4:5-6**