

Illustration: **Phone Pass**  
Discussion: **Gossip / Uses for the mouth**  
Scripture : **Romans 10:9, 13**  
YOU WILL NEED: *No items needed*

## Phone Pass

Have your group sit in a circle. Tell them that you are going to pass a message through all of them by whispering in the ear of the person to your left. They will whisper the message to the person to their left...and on around the circle. You can only say the message once when you whisper it and you cannot purposely change it. When the message gets back to you, have the last person say it out loud. Compare it to the original sentence to see how it has changed.

*Original sentence:* I ate a bologna, cheese, and peanut butter sandwich at the zoo while watching purple monkeys dance on the backs of orange elephants.

*Application*—Notice how much it changed as it moved through people. That’s also how rumors get started.

*Ask the Kids*—***What is gossip?***

Gossip is talking bad about people or situations that don’t concern you, many times for the sake of “have you heard...” In other words, I know something you don’t know. Or, for the sake of talking bad about others. “Can you believe she did such and such...”

*Ask the Kids*—***Why do you think God tells you not to gossip?***

*Ask the Kids*—***What are some other ways you can use your mouth to do bad?***

*Ask the Kids*—***What are some ways you can use your mouth to do good?***

*Ask the Kids*—***What do you think is the best thing you can ever do with your mouth?***

*Answer:* Pray to give your life to Jesus.

Read and discuss Romans 10:9, 13