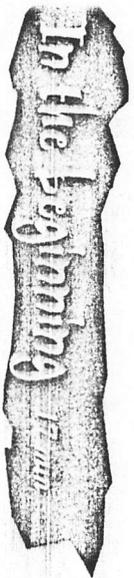


# SAYING WITHOUT SPEAKING

The purpose of this meeting is to help your group members understand the importance of nonverbal forms of communication.



Kick off your meeting with an explanation similar to the following:

Our goal for this meeting is to figure out some ways we can become closer as a group. Obviously, communication is one of the most important parts of the relationship-building process. That's why we're going to be focusing our attention on some communication exercises.

**For this meeting  
you'll need...**

- A Bible

Some of you may find that this meeting is a real challenge. That's good! Challenges help us grow and learn. Today we'll start with a challenge called Party Time.

Let's have everyone stand up and start milling around like you're at a party. When I say, "Talk," I want you to find a partner and start a conversation on the topic I give you. If I say, "Baseball," you talk about baseball. If I say, "Movies," you talk about movies. If I say, "Schedule B Tax Forms," you talk about interest and dividend income from seller-financed mortgages.

Keep the conversation going until I say, "Switch." Then you'll find a new partner and discuss a different topic, which I'll give you. Here's your first topic: If your bedroom were on fire, what three things would you carry out first and why? Remember to listen when the other person is talking. Go!