



HEARING GOD'S VOICE

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Hearing God's Voice: When Life is Too Loud & Waiting on the Call

NOTES:

DISCUSS THE CALL TO ACTION FROM WEEK 1

Think of something you can do that will exhibit excellence in building the kingdom and put it into practice.

REFLECT

Share your favorite points from the talk. Ask what phrase or moment from the talk did you relate to the most. Work through your notes and share your favorite points to better recall the talk.

SCRIPTURE

Bring your Bible and be prepared to read the scripture as you begin the discussion. 1 SAMUEL 3:1-11 (NIV)

REFERENCE: HEBREWS 1:1-2

MAIN IDEA

Do you feel as if life has placed you on hold? Like you are waiting for a call back from God? As frustrating as waiting on the next step may be, it is important to know God has already given us a word for where we are. Our waiting may be a result of how we've been misaligned from hearing His voice. God is not too occupied with other things to speak with us, in fact, He is waiting for us. He has left us messages that have gone unchecked and it is time to position ourselves to listen.

We believe that we are waiting on God, but the truth is God is waiting on us.



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Hearing God's Voice: Enough Said & Don't Waste Your Pain

NOTES:

DISCUSS THE CALL TO ACTION FROM WEEK 2

Identify a time and place to pause and listen to God.

REFLECT

Ask Crew members to share their favorite points from the talk. Ask what phrase or moment from the talk did they relate to the most. See if they have any questions. Work through your notes and share your favorite points to better recall the talk. Dedicate about 5-7 minutes to this portion of open conversation.

SCRIPTURE

Bring your Bible and be prepared to read the scripture as you begin the discussion.

JAMES 1:2-4 (NIV)

REFERENCE: JOB 1:8, JAMES 5:11, 1 PETER 1:6-7, PSALM 23:4, PSALM 5:1-2, PSALM 5:1

MAIN IDEA

We will all face different levels of pain and suffering. It's a part of life. Yet still, suffering is not a topic we like to dwell upon. But if we look at it from God's point of view, we will find an entirely new understanding of what it means to go through adversity. God wants to speak to us through our hardships. It is God's megaphone to send us warnings and give us lessons that will produce perseverance in us. We need to be people of perseverance if we want to be mature and complete. We need staying power, tenacity, resolve. So we ought not to give up when bad times come our way. Don't waste pain by quitting. And don't just go through it, grow through it. We aren't alone in our troubles, know that God is not silent but he shouts to us through our pain.

"God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains: it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world." — C.S. Lewis, *The Problem of Pain*