



Hearing from God

Week 1: Through Scripture

CCV Groups Discussion Guide

OPENING QUESTION:

Has there ever been a time when you heard God's voice or His direction in your life? If so, how did it grow you or change your relationship with God?

GROUPS VIDEO GUIDE

READ:

[James 1:22-25](#)

DISCUSS:

- From the reading in James, how would you explain to a friend why applying God's word is so critical to understanding God's word?
- Are there any practices in Bible reading that you find helpful to create space for listening to God's voice?
- What are some common obstacles or distractions that can hinder our ability to hear God's voice? How can we overcome these challenges and cultivate a greater attentiveness to God's presence and guidance?
- If you have a life verse, share with the group what it is and how you chose it. If you do not, list potential life verses (verses that keep showing up in your life) this week and share them with the group next week.

PRAYER:

Use [James 1:22-25](#) as your prayer prompt. Read it out loud, tell God what you plan to do about it. Ask him for the strength and resources you need to accomplish that.

SCRIPTURES:

1 Timothy 4:13, "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching."

2 Timothy 3:16, "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,"

2 Peter 1:20–21, “knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.”

James 1:22–25, “But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.”

John 10:21, "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me."

1 Kings 19:11–12, "The Lord said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.' Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper.”

Isaiah 30:21, "Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, 'This is the way; walk in it.'"

Psalms 85:8, "I will listen to what God the Lord says; he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants—but let them not turn to folly."

Romans 10:17, "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ."