

the prayer course

THE PRAYER COURSE STUDY GUIDE SESSION 7: LISTENING

In this session, we'll unpack the practical ways we can tune into hearing God's voice.

Bible passages: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Summary points: We are designed to walk and talk with God. Slow down, Soften up. When listening to God, remember ABC: Advice, Bible, Common Sense.

Discussion Questions:

- What did you find most helpful or most challenging in the video?
- Do you feel like your connection to God's voice is like "wi-fi", "cell phone" or "snail mail"? Do you find it's obvious when God is speaking to you?

Pete mentioned that we all hear God differently: **"It's okay to hear God the way he's made you."**

- Do you experience hearing God's voice in a specific way? If so, how?

Pete suggested two ways we can tune into God's voice:

"Slow down"

- What practical actions could you take this week to make time for listening to God?

"Soften up"

- How can we encourage one another to "keep our hearts soft" in the busyness of our daily lives?

Do it: Practice listening to God together. There are a few different ways you might like to do this, depending on your group:

Split into small groups of 3 people, and take it in turns listening to God for one person at a time. Remind your group members to apply the "ABC" acronym for anything they think God is saying! Practice the Lectio Divina together as a group. You might like to explore the teaching of Jesus in Matthew 5:13-16

Remember to:

Read it – Familiarization

Explore it – Imagination

Pray it – Conversation

Enjoy it – Celebration