Group Discussion

INTRODUCTION

What do you hear when it's really quiet? Maybe a buzz, a painful memory, or nothing at all. What if God has given you the gift of hearing His voice? Would you like to know how?

GETTING STARTED

1. Sing or say a few words of the last song that was stuck in your head. See if the others in your circle can name the tune.

FROM THE SERMON

- 2. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time that caught your attention, made you curious, or inspired you to think deeply?
- 3. Read John 15:4-10. How many times did Jesus use the word remain or abide, and what idea do you think Jesus was trying to convey to his followers? What are the benefits of remaining in Jesus? How does prayer help you do so?
- 4. Read 1 Samuel 3:2-10. What do you find interesting about this story? How could you apply this simple technique of formally inviting the Lord to speak to you just like Samuel did? How is Samuel's invitation for the Lord to speak an act of submission? How do you know if you are ready to hear the Lord's voice?
- 5. Read John 10:4-10. Truly abundant life happens when we do what (vs. 4)? Later on in chapter 10, Jesus refers to himself as the Good Shepherd. List and discuss all the ways Jesus shepherds you. What specifically do you do to follow His lead like sheep follow their shepherd?
- 6. What are you hearing from the Holy Spirit right now?

NEXT STEPS

- 7. What will you do with this new truth or spiritual insight that has been revealed by the Holy Spirit?
- 8. Please make time to pray together.