

# Discussion Questions

## INTRODUCTION

Many of us might be on a spiritual journey of silence. We made the choice to follow Jesus, yet how do we hear His voice, so we can go deeper in our faith?

## GETTING STARTED

1. Share about a time as a child when you remember your Dad or Mom shouting out your name in a crowd. Were you able to recognize it, why or why not? Were there certain signs or signals your family used to get your attention?

## BIBLE IDEA

2. Read I Samuel 3:4-19. How many times did Samuel mistake Eli's voice from God's? What reason is given for why Samuel did not recognize the Lord's voice (vs. 7)?
3. **Know God's Voice by...**
  - a. **Seeking.** Read Jeremiah 29:11-13 & Luke 11:9-10. What promise does Jeremiah make if we seek the Lord with all our heart (vs. 13)? What three examples does Luke use to help us better understand how to pursue God?
  - b. **Listening.** Read I Samuel 3:10 & Romans 10:17. How did Samuel respond to God? How could we apply Samuel's response into our daily habits? According to Romans, how can we increase our faith?
  - c. **Obedying.** Read Jeremiah 7:23 & 2 Corinthians 10:5. In Jeremiah, what promises does God make to us when we obey Him? What is destroyed when we capture our thoughts in obedience to Christ? What ways have been helpful to make your thoughts obedient to Jesus?

## NEXT STEPS

4. Practice listening to God. **Earnestly Pray:** 'Lord speak to me, I am listening.' For five minutes sit in silence. Write down any thoughts, words, or pictures that come to you and share them with the group. Try to match up your thoughts with Scripture. Ask others for help.