

WEEK 4: LISTENING PRAYER

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Listening is essential to _____

How to Listen in Prayer:

1. Understand God has _____

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. Then he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day" and the darkness "night." And evening passed and morning came, marking the first day. Genesis 1:1-3 (NLT)

The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known. They speak without a sound or word; their voice is never heard. [a] Yet their message has gone throughout the earth, and their words to all the world. Psalms 19:1-4 (NLT)

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. John 1:1-5 (NLT)

2. We need to make space for _____

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. I John 4:1 (NIV)

What we hear, we confirm it with:

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3. We have to learn to embrace _____

That silence can be us resting in God's loving presence...that silence can be us listening to his love over us. Be silent before the LORD, all humanity, for he is springing into action from his holy dwelling." Zechariah 2:13 (NLT)

**God isn't telling us TO DO more...
He's asking for us to BE with him.**

This Week's Challenge:

Do the BE STILL practice one more time...with your life group, with your family, with your housemates or alone:

Be still and know that I am God.

Be still and know that I am.

Be still and know.

Be still.

Be.

How did God speak through the time of silence?