

Dig Deeper @Home – "The God who Speaks" Complement to lesson on 08/27/23 – "A Familiar Sound"

ICE BREAKER — Questions to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

- 1. What is your favorite sound? What sound is most soothing to you? Most annoying?
- 2. Share a time the LORD spoke plainly but persistently to you...

MEMORIZE - Psalm 29: 3-4

The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters. The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

READ – Read 1 Kings 19: 1-18

Questions to ponder/discuss:

- 1. Re-scan the text and consider...
 - a. What did the Holy Spirit cause to "jump off the page" as you read?
 - b. Is anything repeated? Contrasted? Compared? (If so... why might that be?)
 - c. What are the verses revealing about God? About people?

 In light of these, what needs to change in your life? What are you already doing well?
- 2. Mark every time the passage refers to the word of the LORD or about the LORD's voice.
 - a. What do you notice?
 - b. Who is it that is approaching Elijah? (hint: pay attention to verse 9 and the pronoun used in place of "the word of the LORD"
- 3. Read again verse 4.
 - a. Who are "my fathers"?
 - b. Why does Elijah conclude he is no better than them?
 - c. What is God's response to Elijah thinking this?

EXPERIENTIAL ACTIVITY – Hearing God's Voice

Go somewhere quiet. Take your bible with you and a notebook. Before you begin reading, spend time in prayer asking for the Holy Spirit to guide you and speak to you through the Word. End by repeating the words of Samuel "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." If you don't know what book of the Bible to read, ask the LORD to put a book in your mind and then start reading.

- 1. Read attentively. Do any verses particularly jump out at you? Does one capture your interest or attention? Write the verse(s) in your journal. If nothing particularly jumps out at you, just pick a verse you liked and go with that.
- 2. Continue thinking about those verses throughout your day
- 3. Ask the LORD to reveal why this verse stuck out to you.
- 4. Keep doing this each day

SING (Suggested songs to sing. Use these, or any favorites of the gathered group, to worship Jesus!)

At Your Name - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YmDaDzjzK30
The Great I Am - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D7HSYv203Co
Changing Me - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QY90xjlLRAQ
Speak, O Lord - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=my90e3a nIM

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the series:

As you go this week, know the LORD is speaking and his voice of wisdom can be heard, discerned and followed. So, may the Holy Spirit grant you ears to hear His wisdom, truth, and guidance where you live, work, study and play.