



Hill Cliffe Study Guide Sunday 9 July 2023 #6 Listening in Prayer





## Bible passage for the Video: Listening in Prayer - 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 from the Video

- Q. What did you find most helpful or most challenging in the video?
- Q. Do you find it's obvious when God is speaking to you?

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

- "Slow down"
- Q. What practical actions could you take this week to make time for listening to God? "Soften up"
- Q. How can we encourage one another to "keep our hearts soft" in the busyness of our daily lives?

## Bible Passages and Discussion Questions about Confession and Forgiveness – from the Talk Luke 11.4; 1 John 1.5-9; Matthew 5.23-24

- Q. Does forgiving someone indicate you no longer care about the wrong they did to you?
- Q. Why is praying for God's forgiveness for our sins linked with our forgiveness of others?
- Q. Why is forgiving others spiritually liberating? Why is unforgiveness 'like a poison' to us?

## Do it

Practise listening to God together.

What is God saying to you this evening from this study?

Please read Psalm 39.23-24

Spend time listening to God speaking to you about your life from these verses?

Privately - Take time to confess your sin to God.

Privately - Who do you need to forgive? – who are you struggling to forgive?

Privately - Ask God to enable you to forgive them as God forgives you - then forgive them.

Together - Thank God together for the grace and freedom of God's forgiveness