

“LISTENING FOR GOD IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS”

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT LUNCHEON

PLACE

DATE
TIME

OTHER
DETAILS



FEATURING A INSIGHTFUL
SPEAKER WITH JOY AND ENERGY
WHO WILL INSPIRE YOU WITH
PURPOSE AND PRAYER - KIM
JUNGKIND

WOMEN'S BIBLE RETREAT PROPOSAL:

(FLEXIBLE) 11-2 PM, INCLUDING LUNCH

11-11:10 AM

* WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

11:10 AM- NOON

LEADER: _____

* WOMENS BIBLE RETREAT PRESENTATION WITH
SLIDES: 40 MIN

LEADER: KIM JUNGKIND

NOON—1:10 PM

* LUNCH BREAK 1 HOUR (APPROX.) PRAYER
BEFORE LUNCH

* DURING LUNCH BREAK AND AFTER 2 PM, “TO
THE BARN AND BACH” BOOKS AND CHILDRENS
BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE.

1:10 PM - 1:40 PM

* WRAP UP/SUMMARY/Q/A/ TAKE- AWAYS/
CLOSING PRAYER

1:40 PM - 2 PM

PASSAGES:

WHILE THE STORY OF ELIJAH IS THE MOST FAMOUS EXAMPLE OF GOD'S "STILL SMALL VOICE," SEVERAL OTHER BIBLICAL PASSAGES HIGHLIGHT THE QUIET, SUBTLE, AND INTIMATE WAYS GOD COMMUNICATES:

1. THE CALL OF SAMUEL (1 SAMUEL 3:1-10)

IN THIS PASSAGE, GOD SPEAKS TO THE YOUNG BOY SAMUEL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT. SAMUEL INITIALLY MISTAKES THE LORD'S VOICE FOR ELI'S, SHOWING THAT GOD'S VOICE CAN BE SO GENTLE AND PERSONAL THAT IT SOUNDS LIKE A HUMAN WHISPER RATHER THAN A THUNDERING DIVINE PROCLAMATION.

- THE LESSON: HEARING GOD REQUIRES AN ATTENTIVE, QUIET SPIRIT AND A WILLINGNESS TO SAY, "SPEAK, LORD, FOR YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING."

2. A WORD BEHIND YOU (ISAIAH 30:21)

THIS VERSE DESCRIBES GOD'S GUIDANCE AS A QUIET, INTERNAL NUDGE OR AN ALMOST-UNHEARD PROMPT: "WHETHER YOU TURN TO THE RIGHT OR TO THE LEFT, YOUR EARS WILL HEAR A VOICE BEHIND YOU, SAYING, 'THIS IS THE WAY; WALK IN IT'".

- THE LESSON: DISCERNING GOD'S VOICE OFTEN FEELS LIKE A GENTLE REORIENTATION OR A QUIET DIRECTION THAT KEEPS US ON THE RIGHT PATH.

3. THE INSTRUCTION OF PEACE (PSALM 85:8)

THE PSALMIST WRITES, "I WILL LISTEN TO WHAT GOD THE LORD SAYS; HE PROMISES PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE, HIS FAITHFUL SERVANTS". THIS SUGGESTS THAT GOD'S VOICE IS OFTEN IDENTIFIED BY THE PEACE IT BRINGS TO OUR HEARTS.

- THE LESSON: IF A "VOICE" OR THOUGHT BRINGS CONFUSION OR CHAOS, IT MAY NOT BE GOD; HIS "STILL SMALL VOICE" IS CONSISTENTLY TIED TO HIS PEACE.

4. WAIT IN SILENCE (PSALM 62:1, 5)

SEVERAL TRANSLATIONS OF THIS PSALM EMPHASIZE THAT WE MUST "WAIT IN SILENCE" FOR GOD ALONE. THE HEBREW WORD FOR "REST" OR "WAIT" IN THESE VERSES CARRIES THE CONNOTATION OF A RESTFUL, WAITING SILENCE.

- THE LESSON: WE OFTEN CANNOT HEAR GOD'S THIN, QUIET WHISPER UNTIL WE DELIBERATELY SILENCE THE "NOISE" OF OUR OWN ANXIETIES AND PLANS.

5. THE INTERNAL WITNESS OF THE SPIRIT (ROMANS 8:16)

IN THE NEW TESTAMENT, THIS "STILL SMALL VOICE" IS OFTEN DESCRIBED AS THE HOLY SPIRIT BEARING WITNESS WITH OUR OWN SPIRITS. IT IS A QUIET, INTERNAL CONVICTION OF WHO WE ARE IN CHRIST.