

Dangerous Prayers: “Speak To Me”

(1 Samuel 3:1-19 & John 14:15-21)

1. Would you describe yourself as more of a talker or a listener? How does this approach to life impact your faith journey, if at all?
2. Reflect on the story in 1 Samuel 3:1-19. When was the last time you were completely still, listening for God’s voice? Did you ‘hear’ him? Why? Why not?
3. How and when do you most often hear from God?
4. In order to hear from God, we need to be still, be willing, and be ready. Which of those three things do you struggle with the most? Why?
5. Is the best (or even only) way of hearing from God within the context of a traditional quiet time? Does a quiet time work for you? Why? Why not?
6. Do you ever wrestle with guilt about the quality of your prayer life and/or your ability to hear from God? How is guilt helpful or unhelpful with this regard?
7. Have a look at John 14:15-21 together. What phrases or words stand out in this text to you? Why?
8. What resources has God given us to hear his word and obey it? Can you spot these resources in the text?
9. Read John 10:25-30. How does this text challenge and encourage you...?