

Series: God Still Speaks

Sermon: Want to Hear God? Do This First.

Bible Verses: Psalm 23

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Communion: sharing of _____ thoughts and feelings with another person mentally, emotionally, and spiritually.

“Communion Cultivates _____”

Psalm 23 describes God as:

- _____, not a far away deity, crystal ball, or homeboy.

Before I can _____, I have to know God.

- Making me _____, find rest with him, and be Spiritual nourished instead of allowing me to run around _____, worrying, or freaking out.

- My soul’s _____; not merely my _____ or instruction giver.

“Communion _____ Communication”

A relationship of “communion with God” brings blessings that we can’t even _____ – and the biggest blessing is _____.

Take it home:

1) I’ll begin cultivating a _____ with God, and listen for him to talk.

2) I will read the Bible – and read _____. I’ll think about what was said and _____ before and after asking God to reveal truth to me, and how it applies to my life.

3) I will spend time praying – not with _____ words, but simply telling God what is going on and asking for wisdom. Between each prayer I’ll spend time _____, too.

LEARN MORE! Come back the next few weeks to learn specifics on how to hear God.

In the meantime, lots of preachers on TV and the internet claim to be prophets speaking. Learn how to know when they are bogus:

<http://truthrevolution.tv/audioarchives/discerning-truth/>

Growth Group prep

- Do you expect God to speak to you? If so, do you ever sit quietly and wait to hear?

- On today’s topic, how much of an obstacle is this for you? How much do you prefer “efficiency”?