

The Lectio Course: Session Four | Pray: Responding to God in Prayer and Prophecy

Part One: Group Reflection Questions (10-15 minutes)

- 1. What did you find most helpful or most challenging in the video?
- 2. What are some of the different ways that people in the Bible hear God's voice? (Including the more unusual ways!)
- 3. Pete says that our prayer lives are at their best not when we talk to God about big things occasionally, but little things continuously. Have you experienced the conversational kind of prayer with God that Pete describes in his tree story? What did God's voice sound like?
- 4. Are there situations in your life where you need to pray the scriptures? What situation are you currently facing and what scripture could impact your current situation?
- 5. James shared his surprise when his prayer for healing was answered. Have you, or has anyone in your community, ever experienced a miraculous answer to prayer? How did this experience impact you?
- 6. What are your concerns or fears around the prophetic? What do you think Christians get right, and what do you think Christians could do better when talking about or sharing the prophetic?
- 7. James said that our prayers never die, they just accumulate. What practical steps could you build into your routine to ensure you keep persevering in prayer?
- 8. What one thing will you do differently because of this session?

Part Two: Practical prayer activity (10-15 Minutes):

Practise hearing God's voice for others as a group. Remember Pete's ABC guide:

Affirming – does it fulfil the criteria of 1 Cor. 14, by being strengthening, encouraging, comforting, edifying and uplifting?

Biblical – Is it consistent with the broad teaching and witness of scripture?

Christlike – does it sound like the kind of thing Jesus would have said and feel like the kind of person he was?

Lay out assorted pictures cut from magazines and newspapers. Invite each person to select one that they're drawn to. Welcome the Holy Spirit and ask God to speak to each of you through this image.

Once everyone's ready, take it in turns to share what you sensed God saying, whether it was for you or someone else. If a word feels like it resonates with someone, take time to pray for them.







