



Sermon-Based Study Guide | Menlo.Church

This guide is designed to guide a group discussion around the weekend sermon. You can also use this as an individual, but we highly recommend finding a friend and inviting them to discuss with you. Menlo Church has Life Groups meeting in-person and online using these guides. We'd love to help you find a group: [Click here for our group finder.](#)

What you will find in this guide:

A discussion guide for groups and individuals. If you are using this as an individual be sure to engage with each question in a journal or simply in your mind as you prayerfully consider what you heard in the sermon and seek to discover what God is inviting you to know and do.

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Hearing God: Listening Through Scripture

Every group is different; please choose the questions that relate best to your group, and don't feel like you must get to every question.

Connect

- How has scripture brought you comfort recently?
- What is a passage of scripture that brings peace to you?

Engage

Read Joshua 1:8

- What is the Book of the Law referred to in this passage?
- What does it look like to meditate on scripture day and night?
- What is the purpose for our focus upon this Book?
- What does scripture guide us towards?

Apply

- How do you regularly engage with scripture?
- What is a new practice with scripture that interests you? Maybe a reading plan, lectio divina practices, or scripture meditation?
- Can you share a time that God has spoken to you from scripture?
- *"Our only protection from our own pride, fear, ignorance and impatience as we study the Bible is fellowship with the living Word, the Lord himself, invoked in constant supplication from the midst of his people."* – Dallas Willard
How do you read scripture prayerfully? Have you ever read the Bible and asked God about it at the same time? How could this help us in engaging with scripture?

Prayer

Share a step about how you are hoping to grow in listening to God. Spend some time sharing with each other and then praying for each person in your group. Remember to encourage each other during the week to take the next step in practicing to listen to God.

Going Deeper

Sermon Series Resources:

Check out our resource page for Hearing God. You will find a listening prayer resource, book list, and videos to help you in learning about Hearing God.

<https://menlo.church/hearing-god>

Menlo Meditations:

Listen daily to a short meditation upon scripture. They are designed to help you slow down and remember that God is with you.

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Menlo Midweek Podcast:

Tune in every Wednesday for a conversation with the previous week's speaker. It's a deeper dive into the message and an engaging time to learn, reflect, grow—and have fun. Join us as we journey through the Unlikely Witness sermon series together!

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/menlo-church-sermon-podcast/id129950807>