CrossPoint Community Guide

Ancient Practices: Listening to God | Follow the Voice

DINNER & DELIGHT *45 minutes*

- What is God speaking to you as you've spent time in the *Listening to God* guide?

STORIES *15min*

- Share 1-2 community member's stories each week (this can happen during dinner if you'd like).

LEARN & STUDY *25 minutes*

Read together: *Matthew 4v18-22*

- What was Jesus' invitation to the fisherman?
- How did the disciple's response reveal that they listened to Jesus' call? (v20, 22)
- Read Matthew 7v24-27. What distinction does Jesus make between hearing his words and putting them into practice?

Take-home Truth – Listening to Jesus means we hear and obey his voice.

PRACTICE & IMPLEMENT *40 minutes*

- If listening to Jesus means hearing and obeying his voice, is it possible that we avoid listening because we're afraid of what obedience might require? How so?
- When has Jesus invited you to do something that challenged your comfort, security, or preferences? How did you respond, and what did you learn through that experience?
- In Matthew 4v19, Jesus gives a promise, "Follow me, and **I will make you** fish for people." Where are you trying to bring about transformation through your own willpower rather than depending on his grace? What do you need to surrender to the Holy Spirit's work in your life?
- What has Jesus been saying to you in this series that you haven't yet responded to? What is one step of obedience you can take this week to fully follow Jesus?

This week, engage in the ***Ancient Practices: Listening to God*** guide (week seven). Scan the QR code for the digital guide.

- God, what are you saying to me?
- What's a faithful next step to respond in obedience?

REFLECT & PRAY *10 minutes*

- Pray for open hearts to hear what Jesus is saying and respond in obedience, depending on the Holy Spirit to help you follow him.
- What is one takeaway from your time in community today?

➡️ **NEXT WEEK:** *Matthew 28v18-20*