

## **Missing Pieces: Missed Communication**

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1. Pastor Andrew shared some examples of when he experienced poor communication. Have you ever experienced bad communication? What did that look like for you?
2. Why does good communication matter? Why does good communication with God matter?
3. Pastor Andrew listed several ways that God's voice has been heard throughout the scriptures; His Word, dreams, nature, visions, promptings of the Holy Spirit, audible voice, and through other people. In what way do you usually hear from God? Is there a specific way in which you would really like to start hearing from God?
4. Hearing God's voice is connected to knowing God's Word. How well would you say you know God's Word? Are there disciplines you've set in play to be intentional in reading the Bible? If not, what is your biggest struggle with it? How can you overcome that?
5. You may have heard someone say God told them "this" or "that" for you. What safety net have you set in place to be sure what you hear is from God? Why is discernment important when trying to listen for God's voice?
6. Pastor Andrew gave us 3 tips: make some space (in terms of your time and distractions), ask some questions of God, and listen (because God's voice is a whisper.) What do you do well? What are you going to work on?
7. What do you want God to talk to you about? Is there a situation in your life where you could benefit from hearing the voice of God?
8. How has this week's message encouraged you to keep trying to listen for God's voice? How would you describe your level of persistence? What steps will you take to lean into hearing from God?
9. Spend a few minutes of quiet time in your group to privately ask God some questions. Then listen for the first things He brings to your mind. Write them down exactly as you hear them.