

Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of January 10-11, 2026

No need to answer every question. Feel free to jump around.

Thirst Weekend

(1 Samuel 3:1-10, John 12:28-29)

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Group Interaction & Application

Read together 1 Samuel 3:1-10 and John 12:28-29.

After hearing Darren's message, unpack the below questions with your group.

If investigating the heavenly realm brings out any positive or negative emotions for you, share a bit about these emotions.

What do you think causes you to feel these emotions?

Which realm, heavenly or earthly, carries the greatest weight of influence in your life?

Why do you think this is the case?

What are some practical ideas for making the heavenly realm more familiar in your life?

Why do you think God was not more clear with his voice to Samuel?

Why was God willing to watch Samuel go to Eli multiple times?

If hearing God's voice in your life was described as a season, which would it be?

For example:

Summer: God's voice is very audible - leaves are full and fruit is present.

Fall: It's starting to get quiet. Fruit is diminishing. Leaves are turning brown.

Winter: Leaves and fruit are long gone. Watering the tree does not help. Not even sure I believe this tree produces fruit. Not sure the tree is even alive.

Spring: Starting to see signs of life. No fruit yet, but I see buds. I might believe. The tree is alive.

Why did you pick the season you chose?

Describe a time in your life where you experienced the overlap of the heavenly and earthly realm (i.e., a whisper from God, a meaningful dream, a healing, seeing something angelic, ...).

Conclude by praying for one another in taking practical next steps in applying this weekend's message and group discussion, after which pray for group needs and concerns.

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