PRACTICE FIVE

HEARING GOD IN THE CONTEXT OF THE KINGDOM

BEFORE YOU LEAD

For the best experience in leading your group through discussion, it is important for you to preview the session's video so you can familiarize yourself with the content, session outline, and discussion questions. It is also worth taking a few minutes to consider how to make this work within your group's timeframe.

INTRODUCTION

Welcome everyone. Pray to begin.

Say: Over the last week, we were supposed to read through four passages and spend time reading the word, praying, and journaling.

- 1. What did this week's practice look like for you?
- 2. What about this week's practice was valuable or difficult for you?

Transition: Before the video, encourage everyone to get their pencil/pen and notebook/journal out to take some notes. The title of this session is Hearing God in the Context of the Kingdom..

VIDEO (30 MINUTES)

DISCUSSION

Read Psalm 127:1-2

- 1. How's your sleep? How is your sleep related to seeking life in the kingdom of God?
- 2. Dallas speaks on seeking the Kingdom of God as looking for what God is doing. Where are places that you can seek the Kingdom of God? Are you curious about where God is moving in your life, your city, your work?
- 3. Dallas said that "Crucifixion [taking up our own cross] is the great door of liberation; it takes you off your kingdom." What are things in your life that keep you in your own kingdom?

THE PRACTICE PROMPT

Each practice week, we will be providing a practice prompt for everyone to do on their own throughout the week. We want to invite and encourage each of us to make space to read, reflect, and use each passage as a journaling/written prayer prompt before our next practice week. You could choose to go through these passages individually or in one sitting a couple times.

- 1. Psalm 127: The Lord gives His beloved sleep
- 2. Psalm 121: Help comes from the Lord
- 3. Matthew 6:9-13: The Lord's Prayer

CLOSE IN PRAYER

This is a great time to pray for one another and for what's going on in each person's life. Also pray that each person would be looking for places in which God is actively working.