

Listening to Jesus
Small Group Questions

Conversation Starter

1. What are some of your pet peeves when speaking to someone? (multitasking, not making eye contact, put you on hold when on the phone, answer a phone call when already in conversation with you, etc.?)

Digging Deeper

1. Read Matthew 17:1-4. We see a “Mountain Top” moment happening. Peter doesn’t want it to end.
 - a. Have you ever had a “Mountain Top” experience with God? Explain
 - b. What did you do to keep that “Mountain Top” experience?
2. Read Matthew 17:5. God in the form of a cloud appears and clearly speaks of who Jesus is and gives the instruction to: “Listen to him.”
 - a. Why would God have to say this?
 - b. Why is this a difficult instruction for us?
3. Brandon’s Bottom line is: “The most appropriate response to Jesus is to LISTEN to him.”
 - a. Is listening to Jesus typically your first response? Why or why not?
4. Read John 10:1-6. The sheep know the Shephard’s voice.
 - a. How do we, the sheep, know the Shephard’s (Gods) voice?
5. Brandon’s NextStep is: “Listen to Jesus through the Bible.”
 - a. How do we listen to Jesus through reading scripture?
6. Brandon’s second NextStep is: “Listen to Jesus through community.”
 - a. Does your community listen to Jesus?
 - b. How can we listen to Jesus through others we are in community with?

Gender Breakout

1. What specific way will you be listening to God this week? (Leader Note: next week ask the group how God spoke to them over the last week!)