

S I L E N C E

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS



Week 1

Text: Psalm 42:1–11

Topic: God's Faithfulness, Spiritual Darkness, God's Silence

Big Idea of the Message: When God seems silent and far away, we must remember his faithfulness in the past.

Application Point: We can make it through seasons of God's silence by reminding ourselves of who God is and who he will continue to be.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. What does this passage tell us about prayer?
3. How did the psalmist model what to do when one feels far from God?
4. How has God shown his faithfulness to you in the past?
5. Have you ever experienced a dark night of the soul? What happened?
6. How can I pray for you?



Week 2

Text: Psalm 22:1–24

Topic: Forsakenness, Bible

Big Idea of the Message: When God seems silent or far away, we must rely on Jesus's example of what to do, knowing he experienced the same thing.

Application Point: Like Jesus did, we are able to draw near to God in moments of anguish by connecting to him through his Word.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. What is surprising about this passage?
3. Why do you think Jesus picked this psalm as some of his final words?
4. How have you experienced drawing on the Word of God in a moment of need?
5. Have you ever felt like God had forsaken you? How did you survive it?
6. How can I pray for you?



Week 3

Text: Psalm 32:1–11

Topic: Repentance, Sin, Separation, Forgiveness

Big Idea of the Message: When God seems silent or far away, we must repent for any sin that could be the cause of our separation.

Application Point: We can approach God with confidence because he promises to forgive us as soon as we confess our sin.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. What does this passage tell us about the consequences of sin?
3. What does it mean to "cherish" sin in our hearts?
4. How does someone confess their sin? What does it look like?
5. Is there anything in your life that you need to confess to God today?
6. How can I pray for you?



Week 4

Text: Psalm 73:1–28

Topic: Suffering, God's Nearness, Worship

Big Idea of the Message: When God seems silent or far away, we must rejoice in his promise to draw near to those who draw near to him.

Application Point: We can draw near to God by continuing to come into his presence in worship by faith, even when we feel like nothing is happening.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. What does this passage instruct readers to do today?
3. How can someone draw near to God?
4. What are some practical ways you have learned to draw near to God by faith?
5. Would anyone like to share your testimony of a personal breakthrough you experienced by worshiping God and drawing near him by faith?
6. How can I pray for you?