## November 14th-20th

### Faith in the Wild pt.10: Whispers in the Wild

In this lesson you will learn three ways to listen God's whispers in the wild.

**Intro**: What voices are you listening to in these times of divisiveness, and confusion? How can one tell who or what to believe? We are constantly bombarded with news, media, voices, and sounds. Who can you trust and what voice should you follow in these uncertain times? The voices that you listen to will determine; the decisions you make, the way you treat others, the attitude that you carry, and the perspective that you hold. The bible says, He who has ears to hear, let him hear what the Spirit is saying". Let us make sure our ears are inclined to hear from the Lord.

#### I. Get Nourished

Stir up your appetite for God's Word. Consume what God has given you in the Bible on a daily basis. The right nourishment comes by feeding your faith and your courage through God's Word. Reading the Bible, coming to church, and listening to sermon podcasts enables spiritual nourishment for your soul. Elijah had to eat what God provided for him in order to make it through his season (1Kings 19:5-6). Just like our natural bodies need physical food, our faith needs spiritual food to keep it built up and strong.

## II. Wait for the Whisper

Will you allow yourself to be present, to pursue His presence, and to lean in and listen? God wants to speak to you in the middle of your success and your failure, your hurt and confusion. Many of the voices around us are shouting and demanding for our attention, but in order to hear God, we must drown out the noise and pay close attention to Him. As we draw near to God in fellowship, we incline our spiritual ears to hear Him. The Spirit of the Lord dwells in us just waiting for us to call out to Him and to develop that intimacy He so desires (James 4;5).

# III. Get Moving

The direction of where you move determines the assignment that you step into. Elijah needed an encounter with God and he knew that God was drawing him. He ran away from the death threat of Queen Jezebel and needed refreshment from God. Your direction will determine your destination. Off of the one meal that the angel provided for Elijah, he was able to travel for 40 days and 40 nights to Mount Horeb. At the mountain, Elijah had his encounter with God after the earthquake, the wind, and the fire. After that 40-day journey, it all culminated in hearing a fresh word from God (1Kings 19:9-13).

#### **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Are you taking time each day to feed your faith?
- 2. Do you regularly take time to intentionally wait and hear from God?
- 3. Once you hear from God, do you get moving in the direction of obedience?