



Session #5 - Discerning God's Voice

1. Let's be honest, human beings, even when they honestly try to hear from God, will invariably get it wrong sometimes. This can result in some very painful situations. Thankfully, God provides us with help and guidance in this area. One of the ways it's talked about in the Bible is called "testing the spirits".
 - Have you ever had an encounter where someone told you something or did something to you because "God told them to"? How did that turn out? It could be positive or negative.
 - What about the other way around... have you ever sensed God telling you to say or do something that impacted others? How did that turn out?
2. Watch **Audible, Session 5** (approx. 11 minutes).
3. Randall speaks about his practice of starting the day by listening to God on behalf of others. Have you ever thought about the practice for yourself? How do you feel about trying it this week?
4. This session has a lot of guidance for testing a word from God, and how to gently share these messages. How might these tips act as helpful guardrails?
5. In pairs, ask God to give you a word for the other person. As you listen on behalf of the other person you might receive a:
 - Verse
 - Word
 - Picture

When you share what God is revealing to you, be sure you are humble, gentle and encouraging.

Anchor Crew Questions

At the heart of The Anchor Initiative is the 3-2-1 Process:

- A “Crew” of at least 3 people
- Meeting 2x a week , to encourage each other
- While each of you forge 1 Habit .

Let these questions guide your check-in with each other:

1. Share with the Crew how the last week has been with your habit formation... The good... the bad... and the ugly.
2. If it's going well, celebrate! If you've been struggling with the habit, what could you try to make it better? How can the Crew help you?
3. What has the work of habit formation revealed to you about God's work in your life this week? How does that change things for you?
4. Is there anything about Randall's talk that might compliment or change your approach to your daily habit? You might want to consider try the following exercise:

At the start of each day ask God:

- Who do you want me to encourage today?
- What do you see in them?
- What is one reason you are pleased with them?
- What Scripture could I share with them?

Take the time to gently and humbly encourage the folks God brings to mind. You might discover that each day becomes a delight and an adventure.

