

Week of January 10th, 2021 - Discussion Questions for Ohana Groups
Hearing the Son: Listen Carefully (Lamp) | Luke 8:16-21

Overview

In a world full of distractions, Jesus encourages us to be a careful listener of God's Word. Listening, reading, memorizing, and meditating on God's Word yields spiritual blessing and eternal fruit!

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: What are your resolutions for the new year?

Ohana Time! (this is an opportunity to be creative and to try out new things as an Ohana Group! Feel free to include children): What is one word that describes your hope/goal as a Christian for 2021? (ex. unity, perseverance, growth) Share with one another!

BIBLE: Read Luke 8:16-21

1. A major theme in Luke 8 is the idea of "hearing God's Word." How many times does the word hear/listen appear in Luke 8?
2. What does the lamp and its light symbolize in verses 16-18? What does light have the power to do when confronted by darkness?
3. In verse 18, what is the promise of those who do and do not listen? How have you seen Jesus' promise come to fruition in your life?
4. How do you think Jesus' mother and brothers and the crowd responded when Jesus spoke the words in verse 21?
5. What role does your church family have in your life? Do you feel closer to your church family or your family of origin?
6. Is simply "hearing" God's Word enough? What is also necessary to grow and mature as a disciple of Jesus?

APPLICATION

Jesus said, "Consider carefully how you listen." Do you consider yourself as a "careful listener" of God's Word? Is listening, reading, meditating, memorizing, studying God's Word part of your daily routine and calendar in 2021? What are some practical ways you can immerse yourself in God's Word on a daily basis?

What is the importance of community when it comes to listening to God's Word? How can you "listen" to God's Word together as an Ohana Group and keep each other accountable?

PRAYER

1. Pray for a heart that is open and receptive to God's Word as well as an attitude that is humble and obedient to what the Word says.
2. Forming new habits to be in the Word can be challenging. Pray for especially for endurance and consistency, as well as healthy accountability.

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