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# **Can You Hear Me Now?** How to Receive God's Guidance

"I will climb my watchtower and wait to see what the Lord will tell me to say and what answer He will give to my complaint. The Lord gave me this answer: 'Write down clearly on tablets what I reveal to you, so that it can be read at a glance." Habakkuk 2:1-2 (TEV)

## **Requesting Guidance**

### **1. Believe God**

"So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat... or drink... or wear?'... your heavenly Father knows that you need them." Mat. 6:31-32 (NIV)

## 2. Ask God

"If you want to know what God wants you to do, ask Him, and He will gladly tell you." James 1:5a (TLB)

## 3. Expect God

"... God is always ready to give bountiful supply of wisdom to all who ask Him; He will not resent it. But when you ask Him, be sure that you really expect Him to tell you..." James 1:5b-6 (TLB)

## **Receiving Guidance (Habakkuk 2:1-2)**

# \_\_\_\_\_: Get alone in a quiet place

"I will climb my watchtower..." Habakkuk 2:1 (TEV)

"But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed." Luke 5:16 (NIV)

### 2.

**: Calm your thoughts and emotions** *"… and wait to see what the Lord will tell me. . ."* Hab. 2:1 (TEV)

"Be still, and know that I am God" Ps. 46:10 (NIV)

"LORD ... Every morning, I tell you what I need, and wait for your answer." Ps. 5:3

3.

: Let God speak to you "I will look to see what He will say to me." Hab 2:1 (NIV)

**: Record the ideas you receive** "The Lord gave me this answer, 'Write down clearly. . . what I reveal to you."" Hab. 2:2 (TEV)

## How can I be sure I'm hearing God's voice?

## God's guidance is not...

5.

**: Thank God for speaking to you.** "O Lord, now I have heard your report, and I worship you in awe. . ." Hab 3:2 (TLB)



## **Daily Meditations**

For Daily Meditations during the 40 Days of Prayer, please use the devotions in the 40 Days of Prayer booklet available in the lobby today!

**Praver Chapel** Our lobby "cry room" and prayer chapel is open every day. Spend some time in silent prayer!

# **Praver Groups**

If you'd like to join a prayer group, e-mail *jim@tlc.org* 

## **Praver Class**

To dig deeper, come to our Wednesday night prayer class in Monschke Hall