

# ROOTED WEEK 3 | HOW DOES GOD SPEAK TO US?

## DAILY WORK

This week during Rooted we are asking and answering the question: “How Does God Speak to Us?” Whether we realize it or not, God is not hidden away and God is not silent. He has spoken to us and through His inspired Word, He continues to speak to us today! During the next five days, you’ll be digging into the fact that God is Revealer and how He reveals Himself to us today!

## WEEKLY OVERVIEW

Day 1: God Speaks | Read pages 42-44

Day 2: The Sword of the Spirit | Read pages 46-48

Day 3: Our Divine Helper | Read pages 50-52

Day 4: The Purpose of Prayer | Read pages 54-56

Day 5: Connecting with God in a Meaningful Way | Read pages 58-61

## MEMORY VERSE

*“Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.” – Ephesians 6:17-18*

## EXTRA RESOURCES

- *Prayer* by Timothy Keller
- *Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools* by Tyler Staton
- *Prayers for Today* by Kurt Bjorkland
- *Prayer* by Richard Foster

## BEFORE YOU BEGIN...

*Pause and ask God to show you what is most important for you to pay attention to in today’s reading and reflection questions. Ask him to help you surrender any concern over getting it right and instead focus on what he wants you to learn about who He is and what He wants you to show you today.*



# DAY 1: GOD SPEAKS

Read pages 42-44 in your Rooted Workbook, then prayerfully answer the following questions.

- Does any of what you read today surprise you? Why?
- Do you feel like God speaks as clearly today as He did in biblical times? Why?
- How has God spoken to you?
- What might keep you from really wanting to hear what God has to say to you?
- Write a prayer asking God to speak to you. Then sit quietly and listen. Write down anything that comes to mind.



# DAY 2: THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT

Read pages 46-48 in your Rooted Workbook, then prayerfully answer the following questions.

- What is the biggest challenge you face in reading or studying God's word?
- How about believing or following God's word?
- Write a prayer expressing the thoughts God has given you about the Bible.



# DAY 3: OUR DIVINE HELPER

Read pages 50-52 in your Rooted Workbook, then prayerfully answer the following questions.

- What was your relationship with and your understanding of the Holy Spirit up to this point? What is it now?
- How can you keep in step with the Holy Spirit?
- In light of today's reading, where do you want to invite the Holy Spirit to be present in your life? Pray aloud, asking him to provide what you need.



# DAY 4: THE PURPOSE OF PRAYER

Read pages 54-56 in your Rooted Workbook, then prayerfully answer the following questions.

- What thoughts or new ideas do you have about prayer?
- What is more challenging for you: speaking to God or listening to God?
- Spend three or four minutes talking to God aloud about something that is on your mind (a problem, concern, need). **Then ask God if there is anything He wants to say. Listen for a few minutes, then write down whatever you hear Him say.**



# DAY 5: CONNECTING WITH GOD IN A MEANINGFUL WAY

Read pages 58-61 in your Rooted Workbook and interact with the reflection experience it provides.

- What excites you and what seems daunting as you think about establishing a regular time to read the Bible and pray?
- What book of the Bible do you want to read/study first? Why?
- Write out your prayer today using the P-R-A-Y method mentioned in this week's devotions.

Praise --

Repent --

Ask --

Yield --



# FINAL REFLECTIONS

Now that you've finished all five days of devotions, take a few moments to look over the readings and your responses from the past five days.

- What did God teach you this week? What questions do you have?
- What is one way God is inviting you to grow or change from this week's material?
- In light of this time of reflection, what are you asking God for?

