

**John 13:34-35** "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

## **Icebreaker**

Where do your best thoughts pop into your head? In the shower? Mowing the lawn? Somewhere else?

## **Conversation Starters**

- 1. Do you think you are a good listener? Why or why not? What gets in your way? What makes you better?
- 2. Talk about a person who listens well to you. How does that make you feel?
- 3. Have you pondered the fact that God is, at God's core, a communicating God? Talk through many of the ways you see in the Bible that God communicates.
- 4. Has there been a time in your life when you felt you heard God's voice speaking to you in some way, shape or form? Tell the group about that. What transpired?
- 5. Do you have questions about the concept of listening to God? Share some of them with the group and be good and respectful listeners to each other.
- 6. What might it look like if you prayed this prayer each morning before you got out of bed, or before you engaged in conversation with another person, went for a walk, did a chore, opened the Bible? "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening." (See the story of Samuel in 1 Samuel, chapter 3)