



# God in the gentle whisper

## AT A GLANCE



**Bible**

1 Kings 19:9–13



**Topic**

Meeting God in silence



**Takeaway**

Seeking silence deliberately in a noisy world



10–15 minutes



Object: a singing bowl or a small bell



Preparation: 10 min



indoors or by the fire



**Make it personal:** In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic “Meeting God in silence”. Real stories stick best.



## How the devotion works

**2 min**

### Opening

Strike the singing bowl and let everyone listen until the sound has completely faded. Ask: When were you last really quiet?

**3 min**

### Bible text

Read 1 Kings 19:9–13. Elijah is standing on Mount Horeb. A mighty wind passes by – but God is not in the wind. Then an earthquake – God is not in the earthquake. Then a fire – God is not in the fire. Then comes a gentle whisper. Elijah covers his face and steps out: God is there.

**5 min**

### Thought

We often expect God in the spectacular – big feelings, miracles, loud experiences. Elijah meets him in the silence. In a world full of push notifications, music in our ears and constant busyness, silence has almost become an adventure. Anyone who wants to hear God sometimes has to turn the noise down.

**5 min**

### Conversation

Where and when could you plan five minutes of silence for God this week?



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## Prayer to read aloud

God, my life is often loud. Help me to become still and listen to you. Speak to me – even quietly. Amen.



## To think further

- Why do we often find silence so hard?
- Try it: at the end, be silent together for two minutes – no phone, no music.



## For leaders

- Leave room for doubts and critical questions – an honest conversation matters more than a quick answer.
- As a leader, feel free to share a personal experience.
- With heavy topics, keep an eye on who is struggling and be available afterwards.



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