



How do you choose the voices that influence your choices?

John 10:1-5, 14-15

1. Recognize and respond to the voice of the Good Shepherd.

John 10:10

2. Prioritize the voice of the scriptures.

2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 4:12-13

3. Draw from the voice of wise counsel.

Proverbs 12:15; Proverbs 11:14 (NKJV); Proverbs 15:31; Proverbs 27:6

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Small Group Outline & Discussion Questions

Celebrate and Care:

Have each person share a high and low from this past week.

Review:

When we prioritize the voice of the Good Shepherd, the scriptures and wise counsel, we will filter out the other voices that influence our choices.

Open Up:

What is the best counsel you have ever received and who passed it on to you?

Discuss:

Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.

- ▶ Of the many voices, others in social media or in person, the voices in your own head, or the voice of the enemy, which do you need to keep guard over the most?
- ▶ Read John 10:1-5. What are some tips to discerning our Shepherd's voice from the other voices that call out to us?
- ▶ Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and Hebrew 4:12-13. Make a list of ways we can keep scripture active in our lives in today's world.
- ▶ Read Proverbs 12:15 and Proverbs 11:14 (NKJV). Where have you found wise counselors to involve in your life?

Engage:

Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with these questions then share your thoughts.

What is a decision you are facing now?

What are the next steps you should take to hear the Good Shepherd's voice, engage in scripture, and seek wise counsel to help you discern the right path?

Pray:

Ask God to help you discern his voice in your choices.