

## **QUESTIONS FOR FURTHER STUDY AND DISCUSSION**

### **Prayer**

Week 2: Simple Prayer

February 28, 2010

**How would you feel if your best friend or spouse talked with you only to get you to do something for them. Why do you think we often relate to God in this way?**

**God speaks to us in many ways. Which of the following ways do you hear most clearly? Which are you most likely to miss or ignore?**

--Through the Bible

--Through people

--Directly through the Holy Spirit

--Natural means (dreams, etc.)

--Through Experience

**Are you at all afraid of the idea that God would speak to you directly? Why or why not?**

**What are some reasons we miss or misinterpret God's messages to us?**

**Can you tell the difference between God's voice and your own? What are some ways you can begin to differentiate?** (((((Note for leaders: consciously think about the ways in which you speak to yourself, talk to trusted friends about the messages you are hearing and ask for help in discerning, look to Scripture to see the ways in which God speaks, spend time in meditation and prayer to become familiar with Gods voice, etc.))))))

**Ask each member of the group to say their own simple prayer aloud to God.**