

# Household of Faith fidelity



*"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."* - Galatians 6:10

**Week of Sunday, 25th January 2026**

## A Fresh, New Beginning

Since we are still in the first month of the new year, and the lunar new year is just a few weeks away, let us all consider what we can do in 2026 with a new, fresh mindset. We do not plan to fail, but so many fail to plan.

Let us reflect on these verses:

John 17:17 - *Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.*

John 17:19 - *I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.*

Ephesians 5:26 - *That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word.*

1 Peter 3:15 - *Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.*

1. Consider what the new year will promise if we put on a new mindset based on the word of God?

When we sanctify our minds with the word of God, we let the word of God dwell in us richly so that we are always ready to give an answer to everyone who ask about of our faith. I want this for 2026!

2. Explore a new version of the Bible in 2026. Here are 3 suggestions:

- New King James Version
- Holman Bible
- The Message

It will lend new insight to familiar verses.

3. Keep notes on new insights as you go along in your Bible reading.

For Power for Today, highlight the comments that have special significance to you. Selvarajah has been doing this and sharing it with the men's group.

If reading a new version of the Bible, do a study of a particular book.

The world is a dangerous place. Even our families and friends are not positive. The internet can be so discouraging. The Bible is our best weapon to face 2026!

- Henry Kong



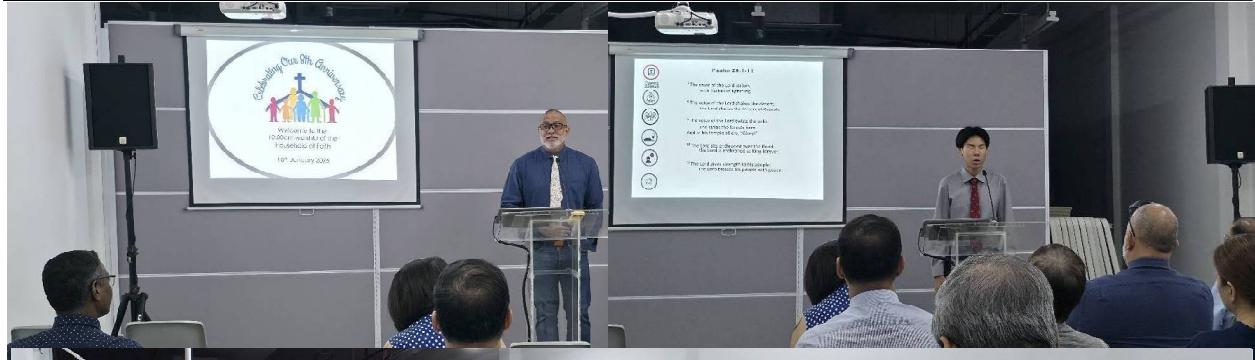
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Clockwise: Ramesh, Jonathan and Kenneth leading worship; Thanks to June, Iris, Elaine, Annie, Phai and Lay for lunch.

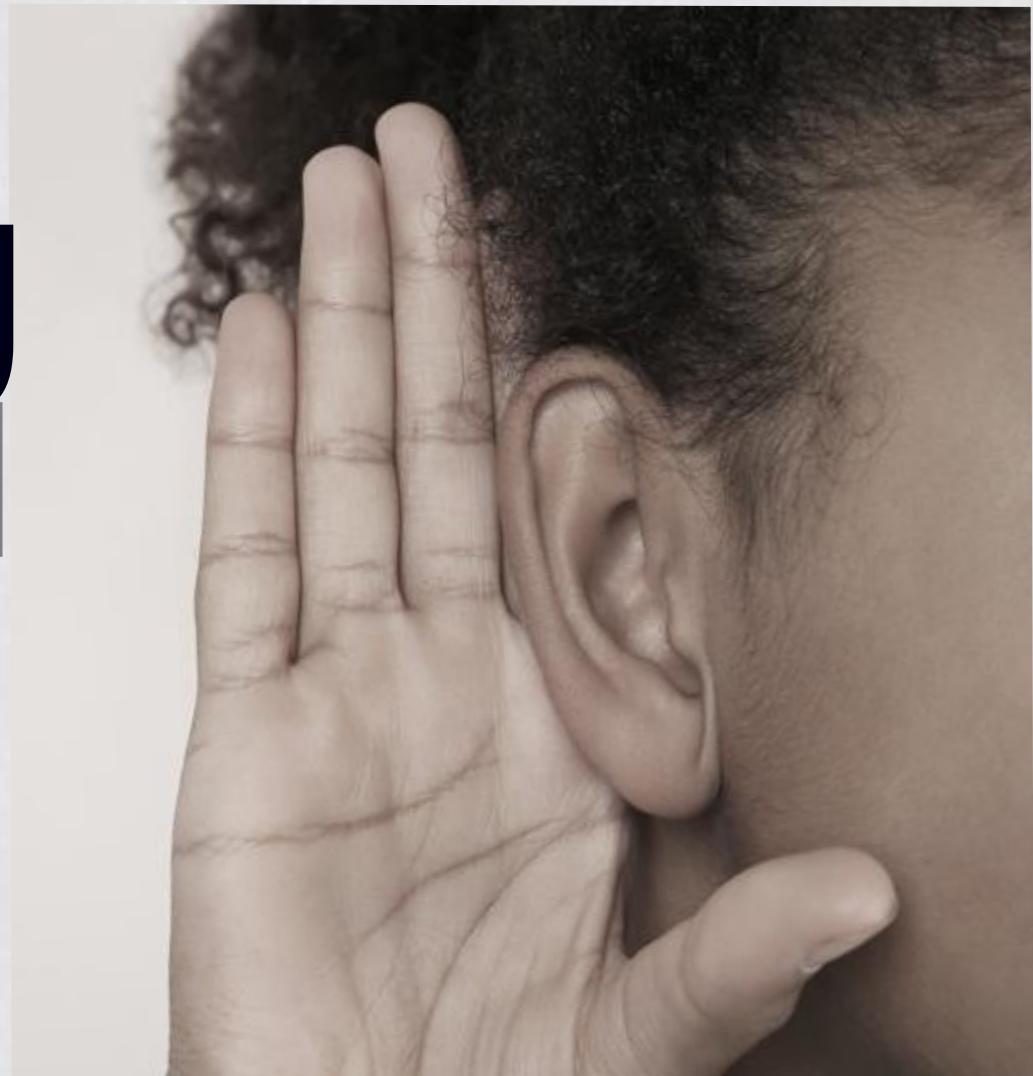
Celebrating Our 8th Anniversary



Welcome to the  
Household of Faith

26<sup>th</sup> January 2026

# Hearing God



# Video



# Story



# *Today's verse*

## **James 4:8 (ESV)**

*Draw near to God,  
and He will draw near to you.*

# Overview

A. How to Hear God?

B. How to Discern it is God?

C. How to Meet God?  
(Application)

# A. How to Hear God?



# #1 By His Word

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All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.

2 Timothy 3:16 (ESV)

**Application:** Read the bible



# #1 By His Word

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- (I) King Josiah and the Book of the Law (2 Kings 22–23)
- (II) C. S. Lewis (1898–1963), British writer, scholar, and Christian apologist



## #2 By His People

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Where there is no guidance, a people falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety.

Proverbs 11:14 (ESV)

**Application:** Surround yourself with His people: seek wise counsel and prayers from people.

We are meant for community. Even Jesus had a community.

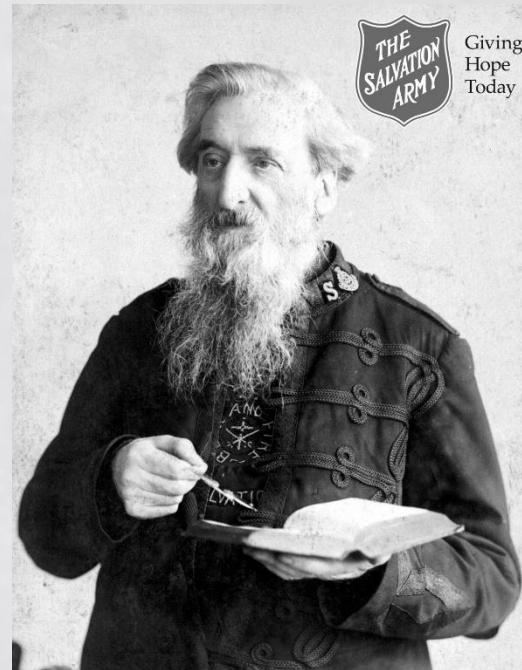
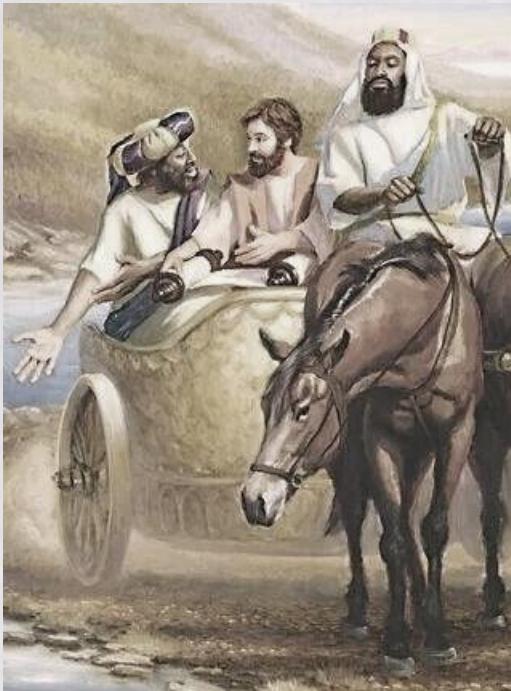


# #2 By His People

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(I) Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch (Acts 8:26–40)

(II) William Booth (Founder of the Salvation Army)



## #3 By His Creation

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities- his eternal power and divine nature- have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

Romans 1:20 (NIV)



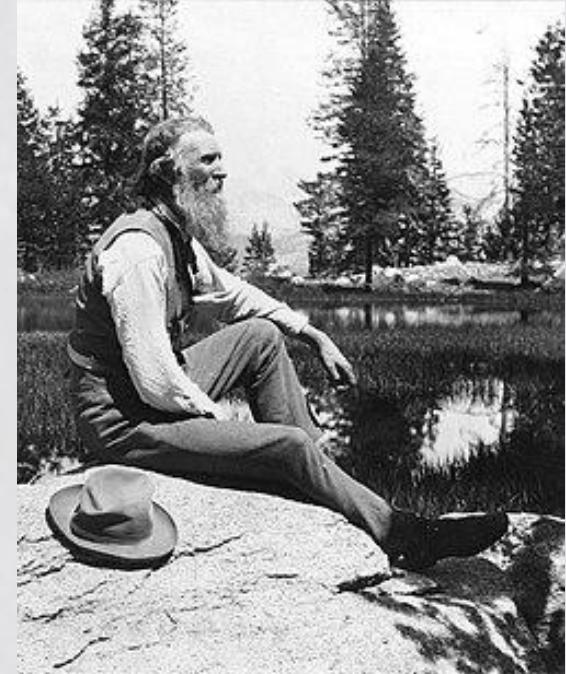
**Application:** Spend time in His creation (eg. Walking in the park)

# #3 By His Creation

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(I) Noah (Genesis 8:6-12)

(II) John Muir (1838–1914), “Father of the National Parks” in the United States



# #4 By His Silence

Be still, and know that I am God.  
Psalm 46:10 (ESV)



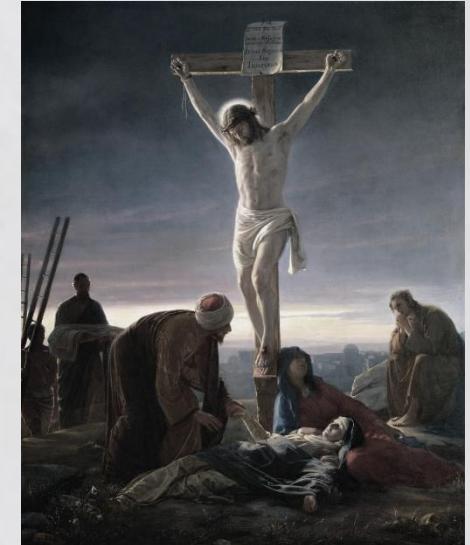
**Application:** Silence is not absence. God uses quiet moments to refine faith, build character, and prepare hearts for His revelation.

# #4 By His Silence

(I) Job – God Silent During Suffering (Job 1–37)

(II) Joseph – Years of Silence Before Fulfillment (Genesis 37–41)

(III) Jesus Before the Cross – Heaven was Silent (Matthew 26:39; Matthew 27:46)



# #5 By His Tugging

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My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

John 10:27 (ESV)



Application: Next slide

# #5 By His Tugging (Application)

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A gentle nudge: A quiet inner voice or feeling prompting you to act or pray for someone.

A deep yearning: A sense that your soul longs for something more, a connection only God can fulfill.

Intuitive guidance: A strong sense of "should" or "shouldn't" that guide decisions, even if they seem illogical at first.

A call to holiness: A pulling towards righteousness and away from worldly desires.

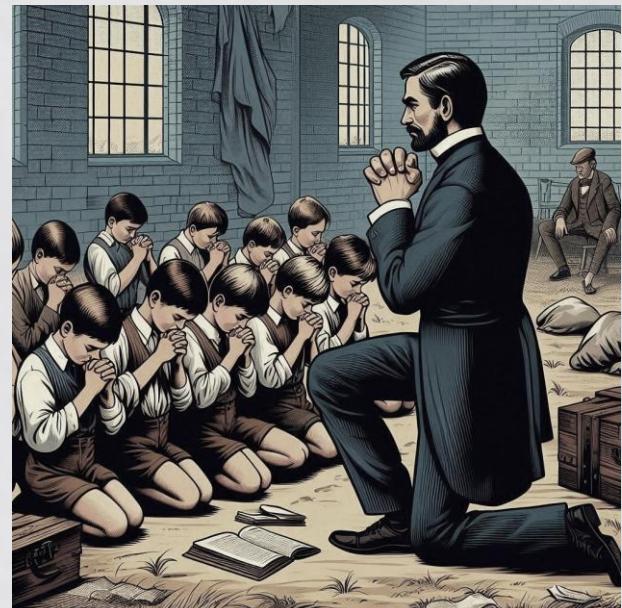
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# #5 By His Tugging

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(I) Mary's Yes to Jesus (Luke 1:26-38)

(II) George Müller (1805–1898) ridiculous faith & milk cart miracle



## B. How to Discern it is God?



# Is that you, God?

Agrees with  
Scripture

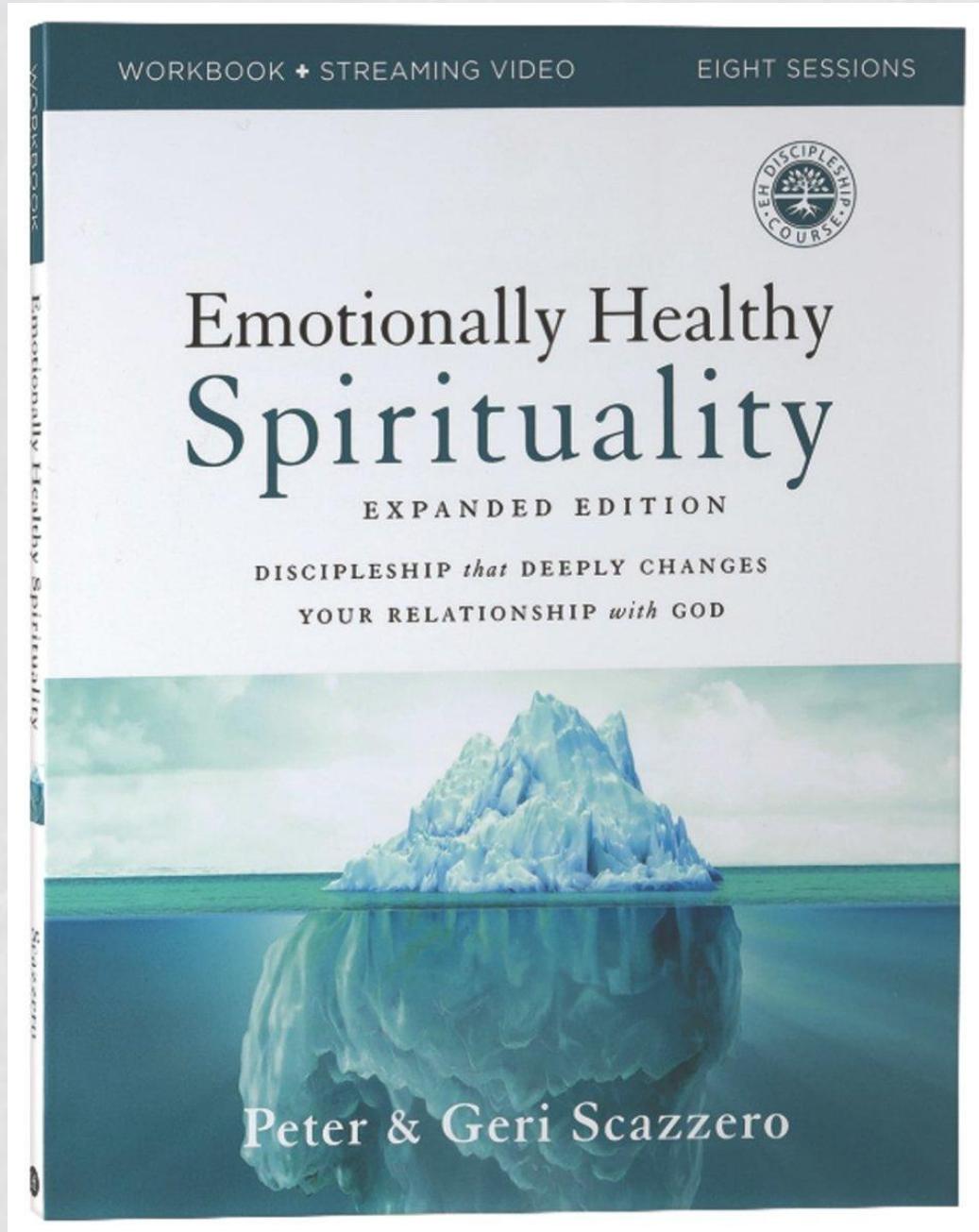
Glorifies God,  
does not elevate  
self

Produces fruit of  
the Spirit

Tested with  
Prayer

Reflect God's  
character

# Story: Tested with Prayer



# C. How to Meet God?

## Application





Jesus is always there, waiting... for you to reach out

# Centering Prayer (Exercise)

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Step 1: Sit down and take a few deep breaths to settle into God's presence.

Step 2: Choose a simple phrase or word as an anchor for this prayer time. (Eg. "Be still", "Rest", "Shalom" or bible verse)

Step 3: Close your eyes and become aware of God's presence with you now.

Step 4: When you become distracted, use the phrase to re-center yourself in God's presence.

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