

Listening: Hearing God

you are not alone

[it is not good]
Genesis 2.18

What does it feel like to you to be alone? Think about a time when you have felt that way.

Why is being alone so painful?

[when all you hear is silence]

How do you respond?

How do you tend to respond to the feeling of being alone?

lines

Describe some ways that we draw lines with God. Why do we do that?

[not alone]
Deuteronomy 31.6

If God is committed to walking with us in a committed relationship, why do we sometimes feel alone?

Halakh-

Loh raphah-

Loh azav-

What does it mean to you to consider that God will never let go of you or abandon you? Why is this so difficult to understand in our experience?

Going Deeper—Living it Out

[putting it together]

With

Erase the lines

Don't be afraid
Deuteronomy 31.6

Hebrews 13.1-6

[big questions]

How do you respond when all you hear is silence?

What lines have you drawn with God?

How will you step out of the isolation of alone-ness?

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Going Deeper—Living it Out

What do you need to be able to do to commit to being "with" God?

Think about the lines you've drawn with God—what are they and how can you erase them?

According to Deuteronomy 31.6 and Hebrews 13.1-6, why shouldn't we be afraid?

MEMORIZE THIS!

**Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.**

-Psalm 23.4