Session 16

Listening to Jesus



Reading: Mark 9:1-13

... After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them... Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus...

Introduction:

Ice-Breaker: What voices speak loudest in your life at the moment?

WORD: READ Mark 9:1-13 and 2 Peter 1:16-18

DISCUSSION: First have a think about the passage:

- Why do you think Jesus was 'transfigured'; and Why do you think he wanted Peter, James and John to experience it?
- Why do you think Moses and Elijah appeared and spoke with Jesus? (Some have said that Moses represent the Law and Elijah the Prophets; Other say that its because they of the way the left this life and entered the next -God alone buried Moses; and Elijah was just taken up top heaven)
- What do you make of Peter's response?

Next: Discuss Mark 9:7

- What are some of the different ways you Listen to God? What helps you to do that?
- What have you heard God say to you recently?
- We hear by positioning our heart to listen.
 What has encouraged you in your faith recently?

PRAYER:

God speaks through Scripture; to our minds; emotions; and imagination. Spend some time listening to God's voice together. Ask for some revelation that you might share to encourage the others in your group.

ACTION: What practical action does today's reading and discussion encourage?

