

# Why does God wait so long to respond to me?

*"If I am not making any decisions which require me to trust God, I cannot be pleasing to God."*

*Daniel 2: 17-18*

## Common misconceptions about conversing with God

*Isa. 30:18; 40:31*

One: Prayer is: \_\_\_\_\_

Two: Prayer is: \_\_\_\_\_ : Rom. 8:26-27

Three: God only \_\_\_\_\_ : 1 John 1: 9-10

Four: You should: \_\_\_\_\_

*1 Thess. 5: 16-18*

## How does God talk to me:

One: God speaks through the B \_\_\_\_\_ : Ps. 119:11; 105; Heb. 4: 12; 2 Tim. 3: 16-17

Two: God speaks through g \_\_\_\_\_ t \_\_\_\_\_ : 1 Thess. 2: 13; 1 Cor. 2:13

Three: God speaks i \_\_\_\_\_ : John 14: 26

## Seven Ways to test an Impression

*1 John 4:1*

1. Does it agree with God's W \_\_\_\_\_ : Luke 21:33

2. Does it m \_\_\_\_\_ : Phil 2:5; James 3: 14-17

3. Does my c \_\_\_\_\_ f \_\_\_\_\_ confirm it? Eph 3:10; Prov. 15:22

4. Is it c \_\_\_\_\_ with how God shaped me: Eph. 2: 10; Rom. 12: 6

5. Does it c \_\_\_\_\_ my responsibility: Rom. 14:10, 13

6. Is it c \_\_\_\_\_ rather than c \_\_\_\_\_ : 1 John 1:9-10; Rev. 12: 10

7. Do I s \_\_\_\_\_ p \_\_\_\_\_ about it: 1 Cor. 14:33

Four: God speaks though p \_\_\_\_\_ : Prov. 20:30; Ps. 119: 67, 71-22; Dan. 2: 19-23

## APPLICATION:

Hear: What is God saying I need to specifically apply to my life now:

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Obey: How will I specifically implement these truths in my life this week:

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Share: Who specifically is the Holy Spirit speaking to me to share a truth from this message and my Christ story with this week: (actual name: \_\_\_\_\_)

**Next week's message: "Praying for people who need God's presence"**

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