

Sermon-Based Bible Study Group



February 16, 2025

Silence - #1 in the series: Ghosted - *What To Do When God Seems Silent*

Texts Referenced (NIV): Psalm 28: 1-2; Psalm 102: 1-2; Lamentations 3: 22-24

1. What stood out to you about the message?
2. Consider the current meaning of the word ghosted: *having all contact and communication cut off abruptly and without explanation.*
 - Have you ever been ghosted by someone you thought was a friend?
 - In what ways can ghosting be harmful to the ghoster as well as the ghosted?
3. **Read Psalm 28: 1-2.**

David pleads for God to hear and respond to him.

 - What do we learn about David's relationship with God and his emotional state?
 - Have you ever felt God was silent or absent despite your best efforts? What was that experience like?
4. **Read Psalm 102: 1-2.**
 - What do these verses suggest about the petitioner's mindset and the issue of timing - ours and God's - when we pray?
 - Consider the opportunities God's silence offers us while we wait: *introspection, deconstruction (examination), and preparation (for what's to come).*
 - What opportunities have you realized - maybe in hindsight - while waiting for God's response to your prayer(s)?
5. **Read Lamentations 3: 22-24.**

While waiting for God's response may be difficult, these verses assure us He is never absent.

 - How have you been reminded of God's presence, even during a time of His silence?
6. How can we pray for you?