



## SERMON LISTENING

*Questions to help you explore what you're hearing*

You are invited to consider the following questions as you listen to today's sermon. There's space to write some notes if you like. Your responses are for your private reflection.

### **What are you still hearing?**

*What's your main take-away? What message sticks with you?*

### **Where might this sermon be leading?**

*How might you apply this to your daily life? How does the sermon invite and strengthen you to take a next step in your faith adventure?*

### **What writing, speaking, or visual techniques helped get the point across?**

*(Examples: scriptures used, historical explanations, personal stories, art work, repeating phrases, pausing, changes in pace or volume)*

### **How might this sermon grow?**

*What would improve the message for you? What would you like to hear more about? What would you leave out? How could the writing or delivery be better or more effective?*

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