

Godliness and Preaching | Titus 1:3
Sermon Discussion Questions
September 1, 2019

1. Pastor Jim opened this week's sermon by stating that through this year's sermon series we will be focusing on God's response to the fact that our lives often feel out of control. Is there a particular area of your life that currently feels this way? Consider: your schedule, finances, relationships, health, work, desires, etc.
2. Does it bring you comfort to know that even when life feels chaotic, God promises to speak to you consistently if you just give him the opportunity? What promises from scripture have helped encourage you to persevere in times of struggle?
3. Pastor Jim states that through teaching & preaching God speaks directly to each of us. Have you heard God speak to you through the teaching or preaching of his word? If yes, please share.

If no, could it be that there was something hindering your ability to hear from the Lord? God wants to speak to us and Satan will do anything to interrupt that communication. What are some of the things that Satan uses to get in the way of you hearing from God?

4. In today's message, Pastor Jim laid out the similarities of and differences between, teaching and preaching. Have you used these words interchangeably? Discuss the differences between teaching and preaching remembering that the end goal of teaching is knowledge and understanding, while the end goal of preaching is to compel a response.
5. As we embark on this new sermon series, commit as a group to making church attendance a priority. Spend time as a group praying that God would allow you to be present each week, that you would come expectantly and that God would make it clear what your response to His word ought to be.