Prayer*

Lord Jesus, I ask for wisdom and discernment as I continue on my journey of hearing from You. Lord, show me in greater ways how to steward Your heart with care; show me how to place value upon Your voice and what You are speaking in greater ways. Lord, train me and help me to understand and to be sensitive to Your Spirit, in what is to be shared and what to hold on to. I want to know Your heart, Lord; I want to know Your secrets, I want to be entrusted with greater revelations of Your heart. I'm Yours. Mould me, shape me, teach me, train me to steward the most valuable gift —the revelations of Your heart and Your voice. Thank You for the privilege that it is to be invited into that place of hearing Your voice and sharing in the whispers of Your heart in Jesus's Name. Amen.

Decree*

I decree the truth of Psalm 25:14 over my life: "There is a private place reserved for me, a lover of God, to sit near You and receive the revelation secrets of Your promises."

Listening to God—Week 8

Excerpts from Chapter 4A of 'The Prophetic Voice of God' by Lana Vawser

We each have a private place with the Lord. No one else can 'take your place' reserved for you with Him. Your relationship with Jesus is special, it's unique, it's yours.

The Lord taught me early on to 'pay attention' to the places where I can connect with His heart and enter into His presence in the easiest way, like I slip right in.

Your encounters and experiences with the Lord are different from mine, and that's good because the Lord doesn't want to encounter us all in the same way. He knows how to speak to us because He knows us so deeply—He created us.

He knows the way to reach you. He knows the way to speak to you in your personality, in your makeup, because He made you.

The testimony and lives of holy people created a healthy hunger in me to know Jesus in the depth of intimacy like they carried. But did my relationship with God have to look like their relationship with God? No!

Comparison will hinder your relationship with the Lord. It will hinder the way you hear from God and the way you connect with Him.

Psalm 39:17 says that every moment He is thinking of me and cherishing me in His thoughts. I want to know what He is thinking about me and I want to hear it in the way that He wants to speak to me. I don't want to try and hear or encounter Him in a way that someone else does.

So in my private place with Him, I invited Him to come in and rid my heart of comparison and to remove fear.

What are You dreaming about today, Jesus?

What do You want to say to me today?'

^{*}Both taken from the end of Chapter 4

Listening Time

These 30 minutes are 'You and Him' time with Jesus. If you are good at being still and listening, do that. Otherwise read through some of these scripture quotations from Chapter 4, and if something tugs at your heart, spend time pondering that scripture. Or do a bit of both, and repeat as often as needed. It might take many times to learn to slow down and be attentive to Jesus, so be expectant and patient.

The Lord's friendship is for those who revere Him; to them He reveals His covenant. Psalm 24(25):14

For it was You who created my being, knit me together in my mother's womb. I thank You for the wonder of my being, for the wonders of all Your creation.

Already You knew my soul, my body held no secret from You when I was being fashioned in secret and moulded in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes saw all my actions, they were all of them written in Your book; every one of my days was decreed before one of them sprang into being.

To me, how mysterious are Your thoughts, the sum of them not to be numbered!

If I count them, they are more than the sand; to finish I must be eternal, like You.

Psalm 138(139)13-18

Do not let a Word of His fall to the ground. Record it, ponder it, ask Him to reveal more about it. Act on it.