## The God of Silence.

## Psalm 22:1 - "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Have you ever experienced moments in your life where God just seems very silent. We pray and pray and there is no response. We cry out to God, but it seems as if our cries just vanish in thin air. In those moments does it feel like Heaven has shut its doors and taken a vacation? You are not alone in this. This is not just a modern day feeling – all throughout Scripture we can find the same silence. Let's not just talk about the silence, but why it is important.

#### 1.God's Silence is a Reality.

God's silence is real. It is not imagined or over exaggerated. It is hard sometimes when God is silent, but in these moments remember God is working.

- > David felt it in Palm 22:1.
- > Job felt it through all his sufferings.
- Even hanging on the cross Jesus quoted the same Psalm. My God, my God, why have You forsaken me.

Silence does not mean God is absent. It means something is happening behind the scenes that we just don't know or understand.

## 2. The Silence That Shapes Us

- Confronting our true selves can happen in that silence.
- In silence we learn to wait.
- In silence we discover faith that is not built on our feelings but built on trust.

We are like seeds growing in the quietness of the dark soil. We are shaped and developed in the quiet places.

Gods silence is never empty. Think of the silence as a classroom where we are being tested and prepared for the next level He has planned for us. In the classroom the teacher doesn't speak during the test.

#### 3. The Silence That Speaks

You're probably asking. How does silence speak?

- It speaks of trust He knows we are strong enough to stand in the moment.
- It speaks of His love. God is not distant He is just working behind the scenes on something great for us.
- It speaks of purpose silence precedes revelation.

Sometimes His clearest word comes after the silence. Look at the gap between the Old Testament and the New Testament, 400 years. Then came the greatest revelation of all time. **The Word of God became flesh!** 

#### 4. Jesus and the silence

Jesus experienced Gods silence on the cross. But it was not the end of the story!

- After the cry of forsakenness came resurrection.
- After the silence came glory.

Jesus shows us that silence does not mean absence or defeat. Sometimes it can be a doorway to deeper intimacy and purpose.

# 5. Learn to Trust When Things are Quiet

If you are walking through the silence of God, believe this:

- You are never alone.
- The silence is not rejection.
- God is always present.
- Sometimes in that silence is where the deep work is done.

Wait on the Lord. Trust Him in that silence. God may seem silent at the moment, but I promise He is still writing your story. Believe that. His silence could very well be the set up right before the miracle! Have a blessed day from Lite Winds.