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## Quiet Enough to Listen

*Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart  
and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind.  
After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake.  
After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire.  
And after the fire came a gentle whisper.*

1 KINGS 19:11-12

Are you quiet enough to listen to God? Moments in God's presence are the ones that really matter. Authentic Christianity emanates from the unhurried, silent communing of Gods Spirit with ours. You can't become an authentic Christian on a diet of constant activity! Decisions that change the entire course of your life usually come out of the holy of holies. This holy place is found in worship, prayer and reading the written Word of God.

*"But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly." Matt 6:6 NKJV*

The rival of spiritual genuineness is busyness. It's important to Selah, which simply means "REST." SELAH appears 71 times in Psalms and 3 times in the book of Habakkuk. In music it denotes a pause, during which the singers cease to sing and only the instruments were heard. It is a call to calm reflection.

**Application:** *How much time do you spend listening to Gods still, small voice, compared with how much time you spend in activities? Do you need to reduce the RPMS of your life? When was the last time you shut out the entire clamor of life and just listened for God?*