## The Pray More Lent Retreat Study Guide

## Discerning God's Voice in Prayer With Karen May

## **Reflective Questions**

"Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."
– 1 Samuel 3:9

- 1. Do you usually hear God's voice in prayer? Can you point to moments in your life where you've heard His voice? What are you bringing to Him in prayer during this season?
- 2. In order to clearly recognize someone's voice we need to have a good relationship with them. What are some ways you foster your relationship with God? How can you more intentionally seek to improve this relationship?
- 3. In Scripture and in the lives of the saints we often see that they had help to discern God's voice and understand what He was calling them to do. Samuel, for instance, had Eli who recognized that God was the voice calling to Samuel in the middle of the night. Who in your life helps/can help you discern God's word?
- 4. What are the open doors in your life right now? Are you seeing good fruit from your work?
- 5. Karen says that when you bring something to God in prayer you also need to expect an answer in order to clearly discern the various ways He might be speaking to you. Do you often have this expectant attitude in prayer? If not, why? How can you trust God more deeply?