

# When God leaves the room

## WHEN GOD IS SILENT

Matthew 27:62-66 (NLT) *The next day, on the Sabbath, the leading priests and Pharisees went to see Pilate. 63 They told him, "Sir, we remember what that deceiver once said while he was still alive: 'After three days I will rise from the dead.' 64 So we request that you seal the tomb until the third day. This will prevent his disciples from coming and stealing his body and then telling everyone he was raised from the dead! If that happens, we'll be worse off than we were at first." 65 Pilate replied, "Take guards and secure it the best you can." 66 So they sealed the tomb and posted guards to protect it.*

Luke 23:55-56 (NLT) *As his body was taken away, the women from Galilee followed and saw the tomb where his body was placed. 56 Then they went home and prepared spices and ointments to anoint his body. But by the time they were finished the Sabbath had begun, so they rested as required by the law.*

## Our primary experience of God is His \_\_\_\_\_ \*

Genesis 1:3 (NLT) *Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.*

## Why would He be \_\_\_\_\_ ?

For our \_\_\_\_\_

Hebrews 12:10-11 (NLT) *For our earthly fathers disciplined us for a few years, doing the best they knew how. But God's discipline is always good for us, so that we might share in his holiness. 11 No discipline is enjoyable while it is happening—it's painful! But afterward there will be a peaceful harvest of right living for those who are trained in this way.*

For our \_\_\_\_\_

Infatuation is \_\_\_\_\_

Love which is \_\_\_\_\_ is others-centered

1 Corinthians 13:12-13 (NLT) *Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely. 13 Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.*

## Silence can be \_\_\_\_\_

## How do we \_\_\_\_\_ the silence \_\_\_\_\_ ?

\_\_\_\_\_ God's Word

2 Timothy 2:13 (NLT) *If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny who he is.*

Psalms 30:4-6 (NLT) *Sing to the Lord, all you godly ones! Praise his holy name. 5 For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime! Weeping may last through the night, but joy comes with the morning.*

Stay Aware of the \_\_\_\_\_

Become God's \_\_\_\_\_

John 17:20-21, 25-26 (NLT) *I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. 21 I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me. 25 "O righteous Father, the world doesn't know you, but I do; and these disciples know you sent me. 26 I have revealed you to them, and I will continue to do so. Then your love for me will be in them, and I will be in them."*

Colossians 1:26-27 (NLT) *This message was kept secret for centuries and generations past, but now it has been revealed to God's people. 27 For God wanted them to know that the riches and glory of Christ are for you Gentiles, too. And this is the secret: Christ lives in you.*