

## Encounter 1: The Shepherd's Whisper

**Theme Scripture:** John 10:27

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Learn to still the noise, posture the heart, and recognize the Shepherd's familiar voice.

**Setup:**

Chairs in a circle. Quiet instrumental worship. Journals and pens for everyone.

**Flow:**

- **Welcome & Prayer**  
"Men, take a breath. Slow down. Jesus, we're here for You. We're not chasing an experience; we're coming to know You. Open our ears to Your voice."
  - **Posture**  
"Close your eyes. Picture Jesus here. Whisper, 'Speak, Lord, I'm listening.' Let His peace fill the room."
  - **Receive**  
"Ask Jesus: What do You want to say to me right now? Maybe a word, a phrase, an image, or a Scripture."  
Allow silence. Write freely, no filtering.
  - **Clarify**  
"Now ask: What do You mean by this, Lord? What do You want me to do with it?"  
Encourage reflection and journaling.
  - **30–45 | Share in Pairs**  
Partners share what they sensed. The other simply listens, then prays blessing and courage over it.
  - **45–55 | Weigh & Confirm**  
"Does it align with Scripture? Does it bring peace, hope, and love?"  
Brief group reflection.
  - **55–60 | Blessing**  
"Jesus, thank You for speaking. Seal every true word. Teach us to follow quickly when You whisper."
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## Encounter 2: See and Share

**Theme Scripture:** Acts 2:17

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Recognize how God speaks through pictures and images to encourage others.

**Setup:**

Paper and markers or pens. Gentle worship music.

### Flow:

- **Welcome & Focus**  
“Men, God is creative. He speaks in words *and* pictures. Tonight, we’ll ask for a simple image for someone that builds them up.”
  - **Invite**  
Pray: “Holy Spirit, we trust You. We only want what strengthens, encourages, and comforts.”
  - **Receive the Picture**  
“Ask: Lord, show me a picture or symbol that represents what You see in one of my brothers.”  
Draw or write it simply.
  - **Share**  
In pairs: describe what you saw and how it made you feel. Then ask the receiver, “Does this resonate?”  
Keep it short, gentle, and honoring.
  - **Weigh Together**  
“Does this reflect God’s nature and His Word?”  
Encourage honest discernment.
  - **Blessing**  
“Father, thank You for showing us glimpses of Your heart. Grow our confidence in recognizing Your creativity.”
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### Encounter 3: Threshold Prayer

**Theme Scripture:** Colossians 3:15

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Learn to invite God’s peace at every doorway, home, work, or ministry.

### Setup:

Have a front door or hallway accessible; a few props (briefcase, keys, coat).

### Flow:

- **Welcome & Scripture**  
“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.” (Col. 3:15)
- **Teaching Moment**  
“Every threshold is an invitation to pause and listen. Before you enter a place, ask: Holy Spirit, what’s Your heart here?”
- **Practice Thresholds**  
Create 3 symbolic doorways (work, home, relationships).

Men take turns stepping through each, pausing to ask, “Jesus, what do You want me to bring into this place?”

- **Small Group Share**

Discuss what they sensed. Did peace lead? Did the Lord nudge?

- **Real-Life Activation**

Encourage each man to do a “doorway prayer” this week.

- **Blessing**

“Lord, teach us to carry Your presence across every threshold we walk through.”

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## **Encounter 4: The Next Thing I Hear**

**Theme Scripture:** 1 Samuel 3:10

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Cultivate expectancy that God speaks in everyday moments.

**Setup:**

Plan a short neighborhood walk to sit outside for natural sounds, or better yet meet in a public place and give these instructions.

**Flow:**

- **Welcome**

“Men, God is not limited to quiet time. He’s always communicating, through Scripture, creation, and conversation.”

- **Brief Teaching**

“The next song lyric, phrase, or sound could be a gentle nudge from Him. We’ll test everything by His Word and peace.”

- **Listening Walk**

In pairs, walk quietly for 10–15 minutes. Listen, birdsong, street noise, words overheard, a song heard. Ask: “Lord, what do You want me to notice for my brother?”

- **Process Together**

Return and share what stood out. “Did something echo or stir faith?”

- **Blessing**

“Jesus, thank You that You’re not silent. Tune our ears to hear You in all things.”

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## **Encounter 5: Lectio and Follow**

**Theme Scripture:** John 10:27–30

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Learn to obey quickly what Jesus highlights through Scripture.

**Setup:**

Have printed copies of John 10:27–30 or open Bibles.

**Flow:**

- **Welcome & Prayer**  
“Lord, Your voice and Your Word are never separate. Speak through the living Word tonight.”
  - **Lectio Reading**  
Read the passage three times slowly.  
After each reading, invite sharing: “Which word or phrase stands out?” “Why this word?” “What might You be saying, Jesus?”
  - **Partner Share**  
In pairs, share your word and any obedience step you sense.
  - **Commitment**  
“Let’s ask: What’s one simple act of obedience we’ll take this week?”  
Partners text each other tomorrow as follow-up.
  - **Blessing**  
“Lord, make us quick to follow the sound of Your voice.”
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**Encounter 6: Discernment Circle**

**Theme Scripture:** 1 Thessalonians 5:19–22

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Learn to test what we hear, together, in love and order.

**Setup:**

Whiteboard or paper with 4 Ps columns: Promises, Peace, Providence, People.

**Flow:**

- **Teaching**  
“Prophecy is for edification, but it’s partial. We test, not to doubt God, but to discern together.”
- **Present Words**  
Each man shares a word with someone else in the group.
- **Weigh Together**  
Use 4 Ps:
  - **Promises (Scripture alignment)**
  - **Peace (inner witness)**

- **Providence (circumstances)**
    - **People (wise counsel)**
  - Group helps discern: *Shelf, Seed, or Step*.
  - **Prayer**  
Pray for clarity, unity, and courage.
  - **Blessing**  
“Holy Spirit, thank You for community that protects and strengthens Your voice in us.”
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## Encounter 7: SEC Exchange

**Theme Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 14:1–5

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Practice strengthening, encouraging, and comforting one another with Spirit-led words.

**Setup:**

Circle seating. Optional background worship.

**Flow:**

- **Welcome**  
“Men, tonight we practice the purpose of prophecy, to strengthen, encourage, and comfort.”
  - **Prayer of Invitation**  
“Holy Spirit, we only speak what reflects Your love and truth.”
  - **Listen and Share**  
Ask: “Lord, give me a word, verse, or picture that will *strengthen, encourage, or comfort* one brother.”  
Share in short bursts, one at a time.  
Receiver responds briefly: “That resonates” or “I’ll pray into that.”
  - **Group Reflection**  
“What did you feel as you gave or received?” Emphasize humility and safety.
  - **Blessing**  
“Jesus, make our words rivers of life. Teach us to speak Your heart with gentleness and power.”
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## Encounter 8: Peace or Check?

**Theme Scripture:** Colossians 3:15

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Grow as discerning feelers, led by peace, not ruled by emotion.

**Setup:**

Comfortable seating; a calm environment.

**Flow:**

- **Welcome**  
“Peace is not passive, it’s the umpire of the heart. Let’s learn to notice His yes and His no.”
  - **Explanation**  
“A check in your spirit is His mercy saying, ‘Pause.’ Peace is His permission saying, ‘Proceed.’”
  - **Exercise**  
“Ask the Lord to bring to mind one person or situation. Notice what you feel: peace, burden, or tension. Write it down.”
  - **Partner Share**  
Discuss what you felt. Ask: “Does this align with Scripture and love?” Pray together accordingly.
  - **Ministry Time**  
Each man receives 2–3 minutes of prayer based on what surfaced.
  - **Blessing**  
“Prince of Peace, rule in our hearts and teach us to discern through Your presence.”
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**Encounter 9: Inner Witness & Knowing**

**Theme Scripture:** Philippians 4:7

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Learn to recognize the Spirit’s inner witness and make faith-filled decisions.

**Setup:**

Have notecards for each man labeled: Promises, Peace, Providence, People.

**Flow:**

- **Welcome**  
“Men, tonight we’ll explore how God confirms His direction through layers of peace and wisdom.”
- **Exercise**
  - Each man writes a current decision or question on the card
  - As a group invite God to speak into what each man sees in each category (Promises, Peace, Providence, People).
- **25–45 | Triads**  
discuss what seems clear, what’s missing, and pray for one another.

- **45–55 | Commitment**  
“Decide if it’s time to Shelf (wait), Seed (pray), or Step (act).”  
Note any Scripture or confirmation to watch for.
  - **55–60 | Blessing**  
“Spirit of Truth, lead us into all wisdom and confidence in Your timing.”
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## Encounter 10: Waiting School

**Theme Scripture:** Isaiah 40:31

**Prophetic Growth Objective:** Transform silence and delay into deeper intimacy and endurance.

### Setup:

Dim lights. Gentle worship background.

### Flow:

- **Welcome**  
“Sometimes God’s silence is not absence, it’s an invitation to deeper trust.”
  - **Scripture & Reflection**  
Read Isaiah 40:31 and Psalm 27:14.  
“What do these verses say about waiting?”
  - **Write it**  
Prompts: “What promise am I still waiting for?” “Where am I growing weary?” “What does it look like to wait *with* You, not *for* You?”
  - **Ministry Together**  
pray over one another for renewed strength and hope. Ask God as a group for things to speak into each others waiting
  - **Group Declaration**  
Speak aloud: “We will wait upon the Lord. Our strength will be renewed.”
  - **Blessing**  
“Lord, in our waiting, make us worshipers. In silence, make us still. In hope, make us strong.”
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