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### APPLICATION

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### PRAYER

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### O- Observation

If I am not hearing Him in the darkness, what will I speak in the light?! If I am not hearing Him whisper in my ear, what will I proclaim on the housetops?!

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What a great word! This scripture reminds me to not only talk to God in prayer but equally important is to hear Him in prayer!

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