

**Key Principle:** God speaks to you, through you (St. Thomas Aquinas)

**How We Receive Revelation: Seeing**

Visions and Dreams - "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; yes, and on my menservants and my maidservants in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy." -Acts 2:17

- Visions
  - Internal
  - External
- Dreams
  - Symbolic
  - Actual
- Creation

**How We Receive Revelation: Hearing**

The Still Small Voice - "...and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a still small voice. 13 And when Eli'jah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him, and said, "What are you doing here, Eli'jah?" -1 Kings 19:12-13

- Internally
- Externally

**How We Receive Revelation: Thinking**

Thoughts - "For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ. -1 Corinthians 2:16

**How We Receive Revelation: Feeling**

Touch/Feel - And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and could not be healed by any one, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." -Luke 8:43-46

- Anointing in the body
- Movements of the heart

**How We Receive Revelation: Smelling**

But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads in every place the fragrance that comes from knowing him. -1 Corinthians 2:16

### **How We Receive Revelation: Reading**

Scripture -For the word (*logos*) of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and spirit, of joints and marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. -Hebrews 4:12

### **Unlocking Our Prophetic Capacities**

So he sent there horses and chariots and a great army; and they came by night, and surrounded the city. When the servant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was round about the city. And the servant said, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" He said, "Fear not, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." Then Eli'sha prayed, and said, "O Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes that he may see." So the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw; and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Eli'sha. -2 Kings 6:14-17

"He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives him who sent me. He who receives a prophet because he is a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward. -Mark 10:40-41

"May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might."  
-Ephesians 1:18-19

### **Activation**

Seeing

Thinking

Hearing

Feeling

**Homework:** Find time with Jesus and sit with two chairs. Invite Him to speak to you about His heart for you for this quarter and His thoughts about your prayer life. Ask Him about His desire for more intimacy with you. Journal what you sense from the Lord and what your response is.

**Read:** *Spiritual Gifts Handbook* (see syllabus for suggested reading schedule)