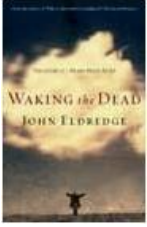


Digging Deeper Question . . .



Waking the Dead: The Glory of a Heart Fully Alive, by John Eldredge

Chapter 6

1. How would you describe your walk with God?
2. Eldredge writes, "Either we wake to tackle our 'to do' list, get things done, guided by our morals and whatever clarity we may at the moment have (both rather lacking to the need, I might add). Or we wake in the midst of a dangerous Story, as God's intimate ally, following him into the unknown" (p. 95). Which of those approaches do you most relate to? Explain.
3. Do you feel like you hear from God? Do you think Eldredge's point about expecting to hear from God and keeping an eye/ear out for it has anything to do with the degree that we hear from God? Why or why not?
4. Do you find that you are more often following "tips and techniques," or God Himself? Describe a time that you know you received clear guidance from God. How were you able to hear His voice?
5. If you've been a Christian for awhile, reflect back on any discipleship training that you have received. Biblical information and knowledge are essential for laying a solid foundation from which to build on and draw from, but compiling knowledge is not the goal. Consider the strong words that Jesus spoke to the Jews in John 5:36-40. What is Jesus' point? Can you identify any instances when you were taught how to walk with God and know Him rather than just know about Him?
6. Can you recall any times in your life when you received both wisdom and revelation from God that saved you from making a serious mistake? Can you recall any times when you ignored your "good sense" and met with disaster?
7. In practical terms, what do you think that Brother Lawrence meant when he said, "practice the presence of God" (see p. 103). How would that look in our lives today?
8. On pages 102-109, Eldredge offers three suggestions for learning to walk with God, what are they and where are you in the process of incorporating them into your life and relationship with God?