

Exodus 20:18-21; John 4:1-15; James 4:7-8a

Series: Communication 101

"Hearing Him: Listening to the Spirit"

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What factors affect communication between two people?
(In other words, what stands in the middle?)

What stands in between us and God, affecting our communication with *him*?

What does Michael Warden mean when he says,
*"Too often we think we need God to tell us something—
give us some bit of information to help us in making a
choice—when what we really need is for God to do some-
thing within us."*

What is one of the most fundamental flaws we have in understanding communication with God?

Explain why sometimes we're afraid of communicating with God not because he *won't* answer but because we're afraid that he *will*.

How is Exodus 20:18-21 exemplary of this?

"We don't want God to come close and speak with us directly, because we don't want to die to our own ways. We know inherently that once we allow God close enough to speak, we must deal with him at the point of obedience."

- Michael Warden -

What other major flaw in communicating with God do we first see in the woman at the well in John 4?

As you listen this morning, where is the Holy Spirit convicting you that you need to change how you listen to God?