

Relationship DRAMA ★ AT THE MOVIES ★

GO FURTHER | OCT 18TH

NOT LISTENING | JAMES 1:19

START TALKING | ASK A QUESTION TO GET YOUR GROUP THINKING.

- *What was the first film you saw in a movie theater?*
- *Do you miss being able to go to the movies? Why or why not?*

START THINKING | ASK A QUESTION TO GET YOUR GROUP THINKING.

- *"Being heard is so close to being loved that for the average person, they are almost indistinguishable" (David W. Augsburger).*
- *How do we slow down and actually listen to the people in front of us?*
- *Read James 1:19. What advice does James give us to be a people that listens well?*

START SHARING | CHOOSE A QUESTION TO CREATE OPENNESS.

- *When was a time that you felt genuinely heard? Share a time that you did not listen as well as you should have. What happened?*
- *How could you have done it differently? Slow to anger can also mean quick to love.*
- *How can you let love be the leading emotion in a tough conversation?*
- *How can you care more for the person than winning the argument?*

START PRAYING | BE BOLD AND PRAY WITH POWER.

- *Jesus, we confess at times we so badly want to be heard, we do not take the time to listen to others. May your Holy Spirit fill us this week to be a people that slow down, to truly listen and to not quickly fly off the handle. Help us to be fully present to everyone we encounter. In the Savior's name we pray, Amen.*

START DOING | COMMIT TO A STEP AND LIVE IT OUT THIS WEEK.

- *Commit to being a person that is quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to get angry. For more on listening and James 1, check out this 9-day Bible reading plan:
<https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/19600-james-1-the-wisdom-of-the-brother-of-jesus>*