FORGED / GROUP LEADER FIELD NOTES

When the group goes quiet

A 15-minute discussion of James 1:19–22. Bring a Bible and a pencil. Each person may speak, write, or pass.

0–3 MIN

Read twice

Read James 1:19–22 aloud. Invite everyone to listen for one action verb on the second reading. Give the room a quiet moment to find one.

3–6 MIN

Ask for a word, not a speech

Ask, “Which action did you notice?” If nobody answers, offer a choice: “What do you notice about listening, or about doing?” A single word is enough.

6–11 MIN

Bring the passage into a situation

Imagine that two people start speaking at once during a meeting. Ask, “What could someone do in the next ten seconds?” Let people think alone or discuss in pairs before inviting an answer.

11–15 MIN

Choose a next step

Invite each person to finish this sentence privately: “When ___ happens this week, I can ___.” Offer a chance to share. Close with a brief prayer if the group wishes.

One question to bring back next time

What happened when you tried your small action? “I forgot” is a perfectly usable answer.