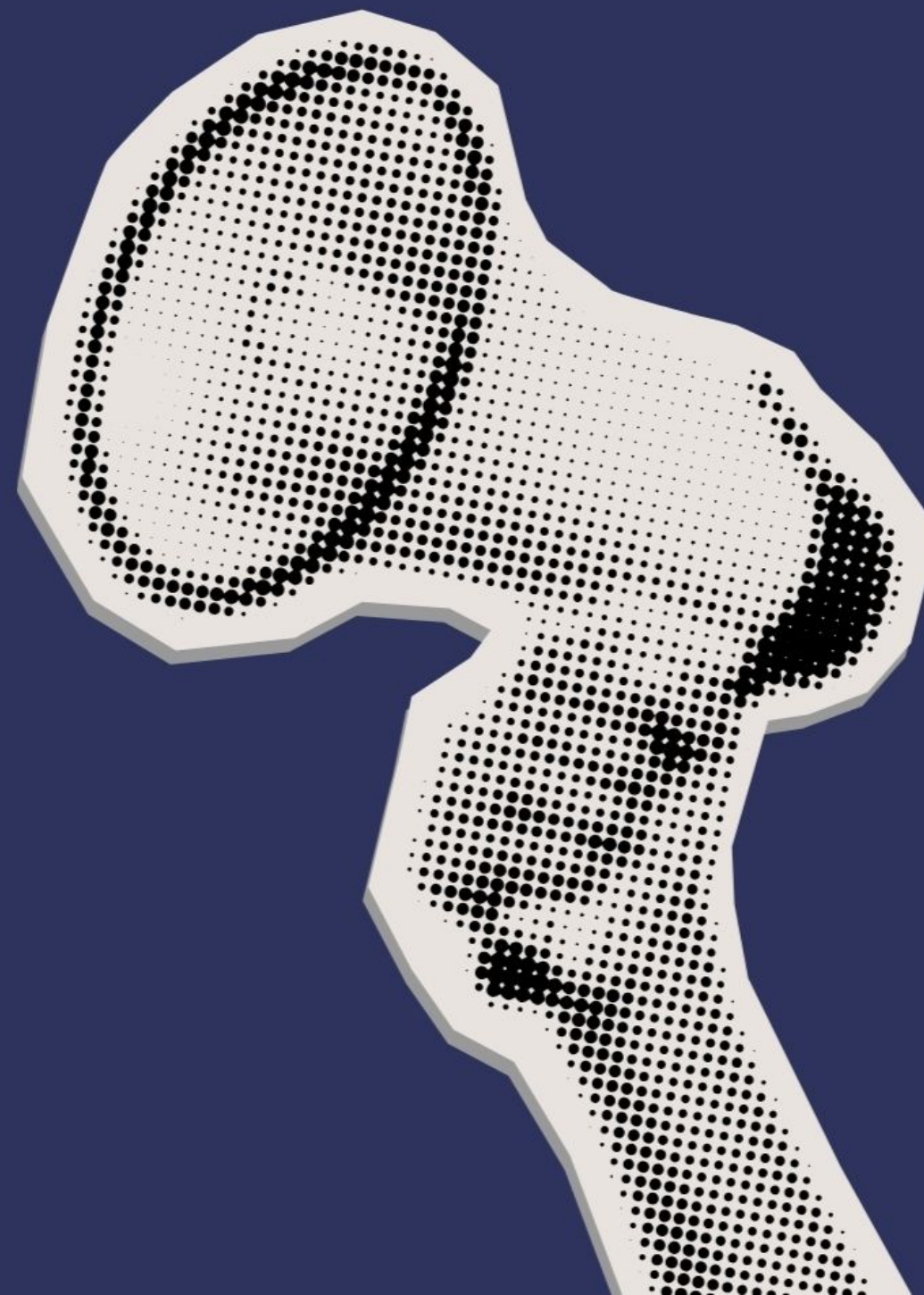
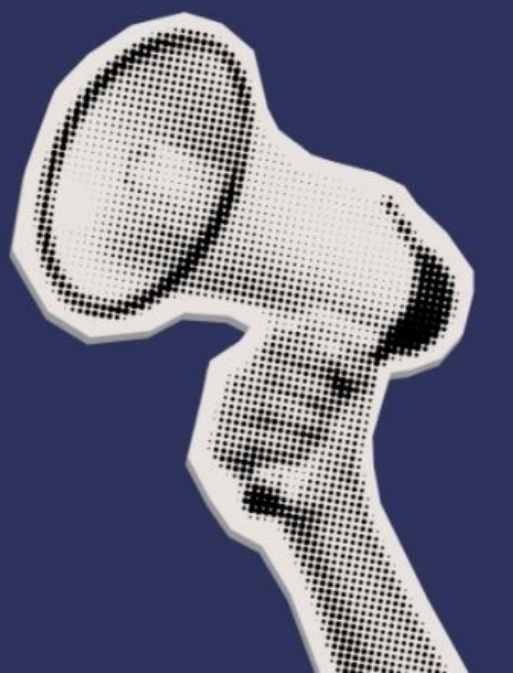


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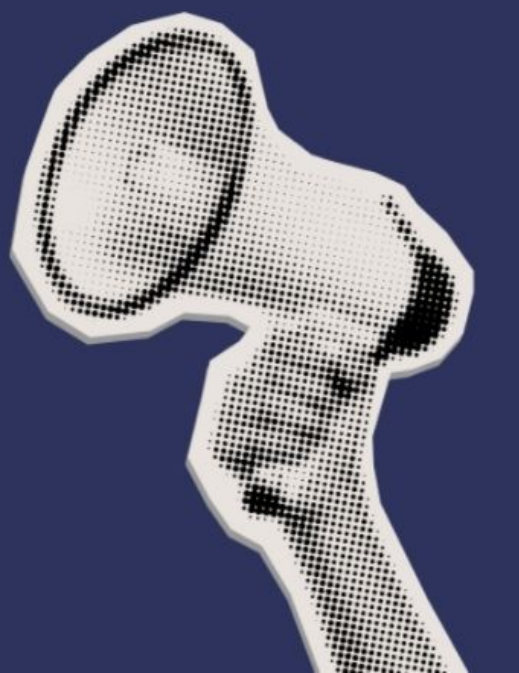
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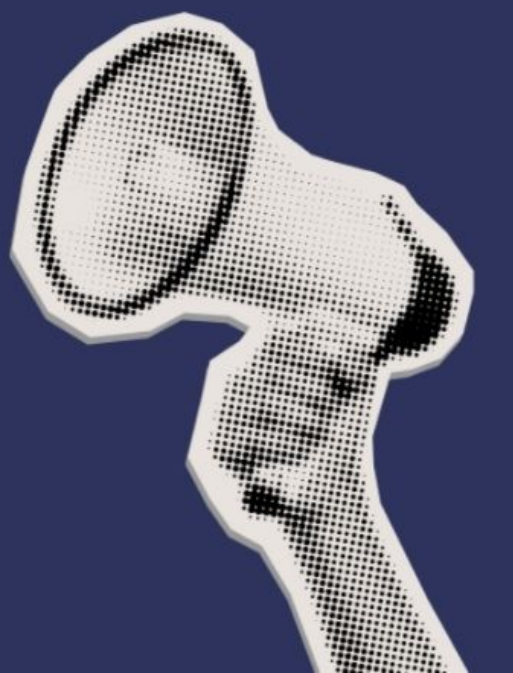
“I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.” (Joel 2.28-29)



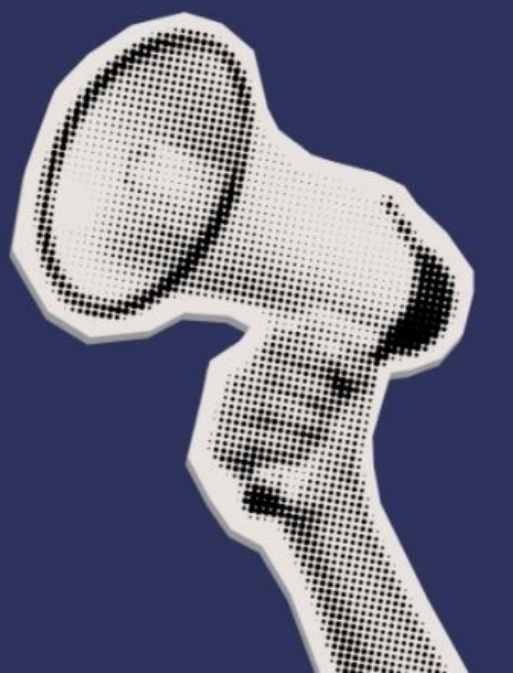
'I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever - the Spirit of truth... You know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.' (John 14.16-17)

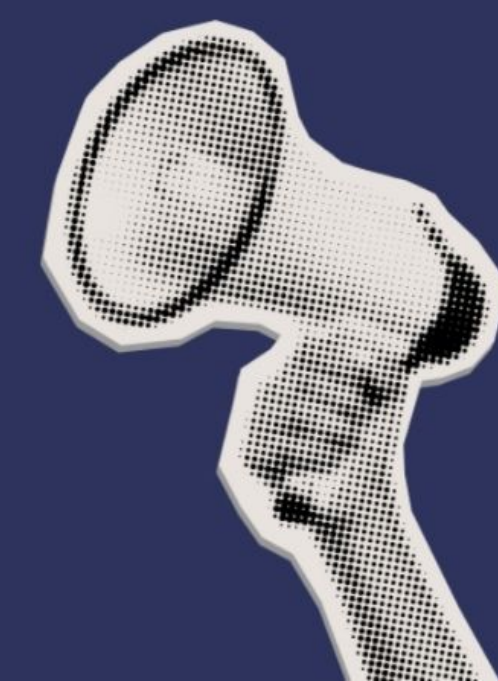


'The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us... We have the mind of Christ.' (1 Cor 2.6–16)



'Why do you complain to him that he responds to no one's words? For God does speak - now one way, now another - though no one perceives it. In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls on people as they slumber in their beds, he may speak in their ears...'
(Job 33.13–18)

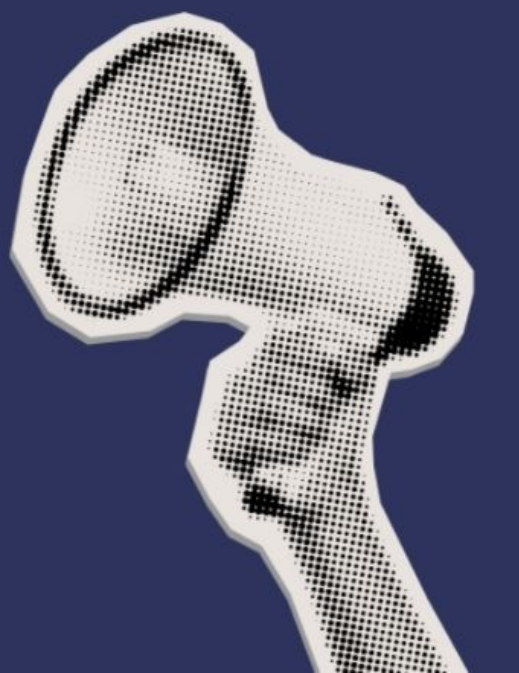




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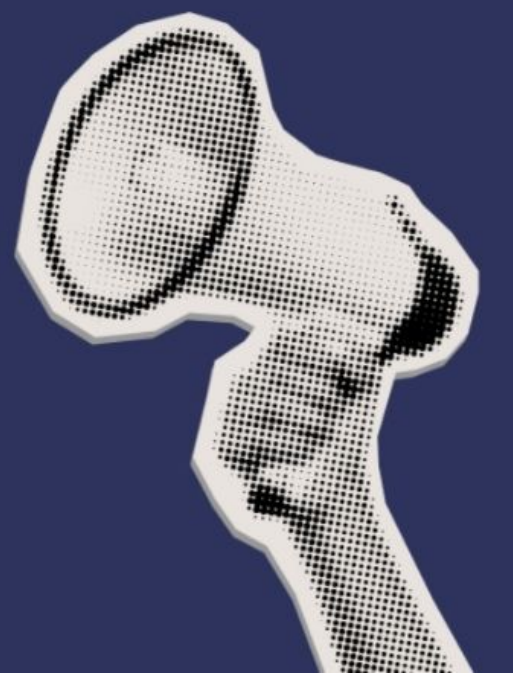
The imagination is how we make present in our minds things that are absent.

- Spatially Absent
- Temporally Absent
- Logically Absent

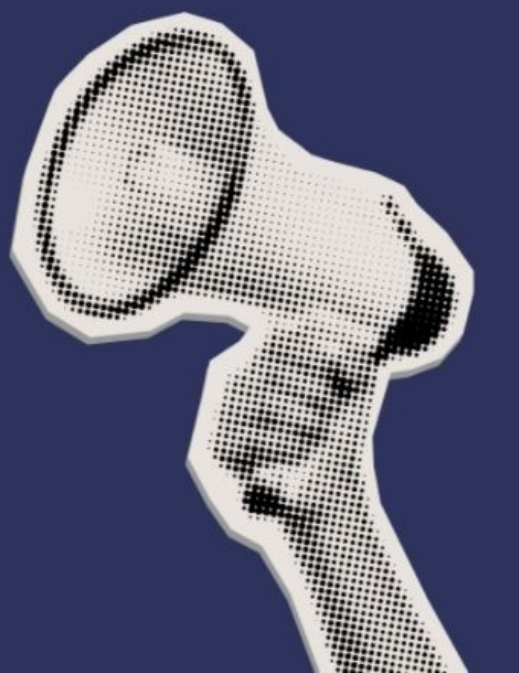


What is the Imagination?

- **Behold** - Approx 1400x
- **Gazing on God's beauty** - Psalm 24.7
- **Sight leads to transformation** - 2 Corinthians 3–4
- **Strength in our inner being** - Eph 3.16; Rom 7.22
- **Fixing our eyes on Jesus** - Hebrews 12.2
- **Setting our minds on things above** - Colossians 3.2



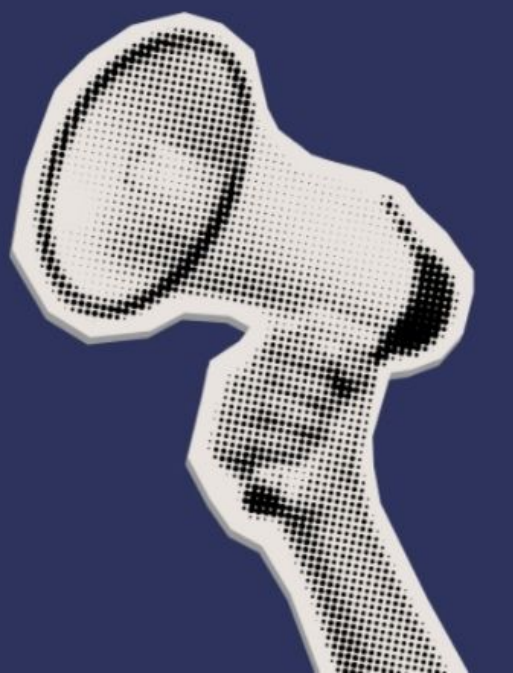
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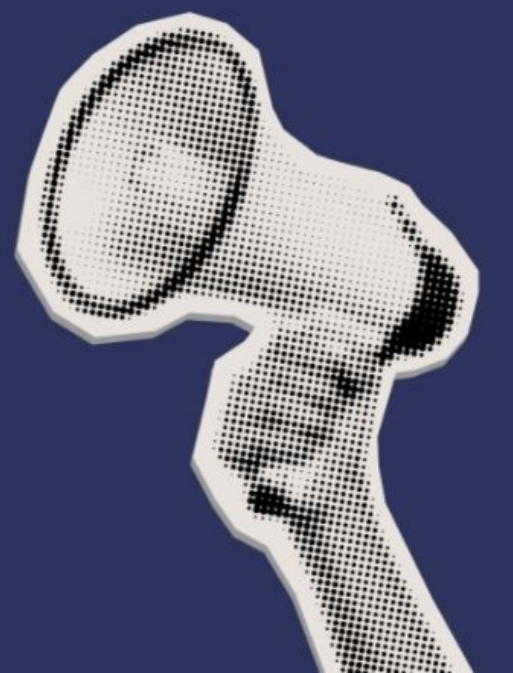
Ask questions about what you see:

- What are you showing me?
- What does this mean?
- Is there anything I'm missing?
- Can you show me more?



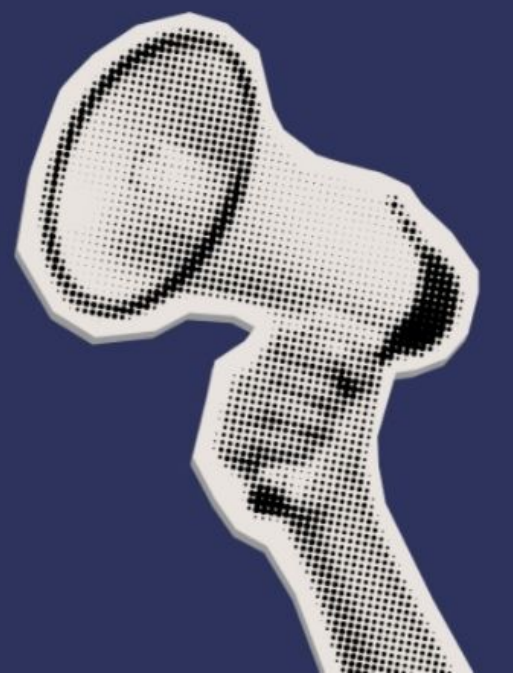
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- Fleeting Thoughts
- Worship
- Bible reading
- Prayer
- Conversations with people
- Conversations with Jesus



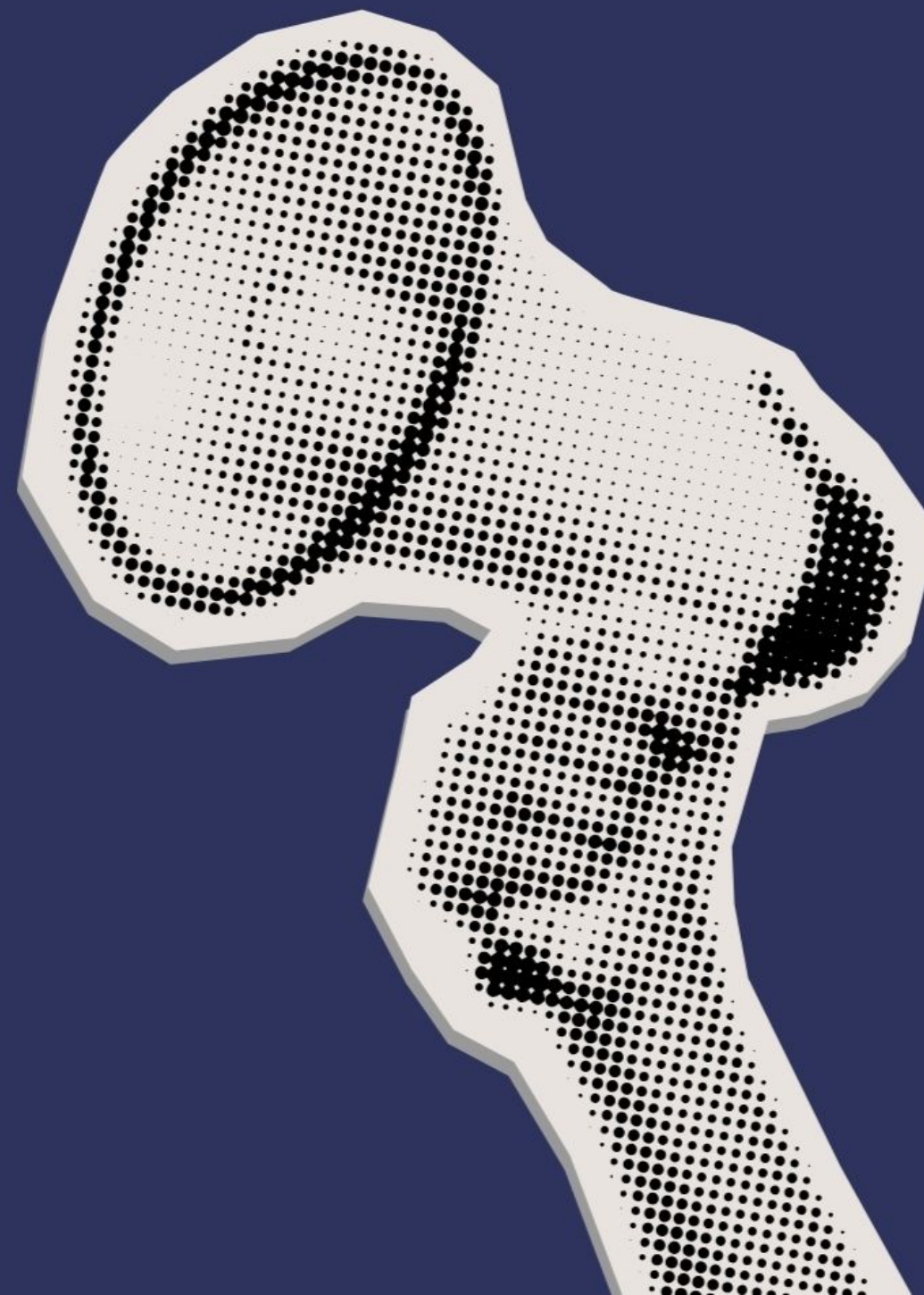
Friendship Questions

- Have you planned anything for our time together today?
- What is exciting you about today?
- What is grieving your heart right now?
- What do you see when you look at me?
- What do you like about me? Why?
- When was the last time you laughed over me?
- When was the last time you were proud of me?
- When was the last time you wept over me?
- What word would you like to give me for today?



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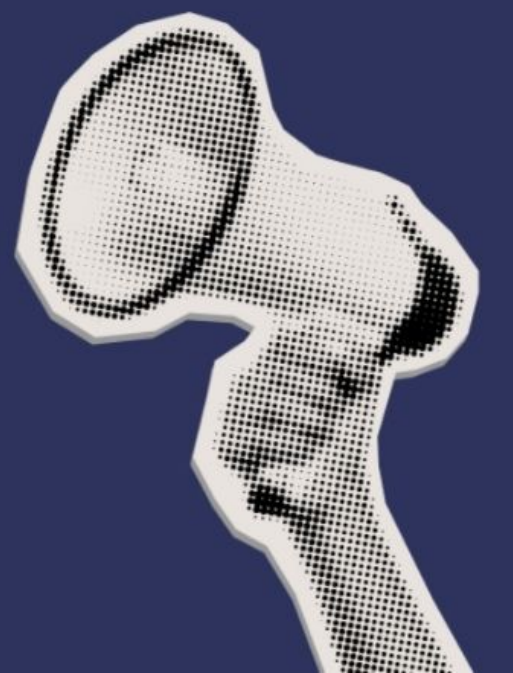
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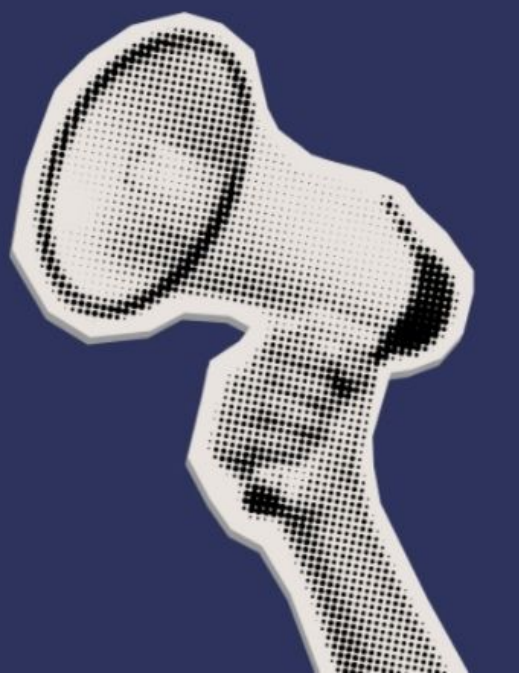
- Prophecy is given for the **common good** (1 Cor 12.7)
- To build up the **body** (1 Cor 12.12–31)
- To edify the **church** (1 Cor 14.4–5, 12)
- To help **unbelievers** encounter God (1 Cor 14.24–25)

‘Follow the way of love and eagerly desire gifts of the Spirit, especially prophecy.’ (1 Cor 14.1)



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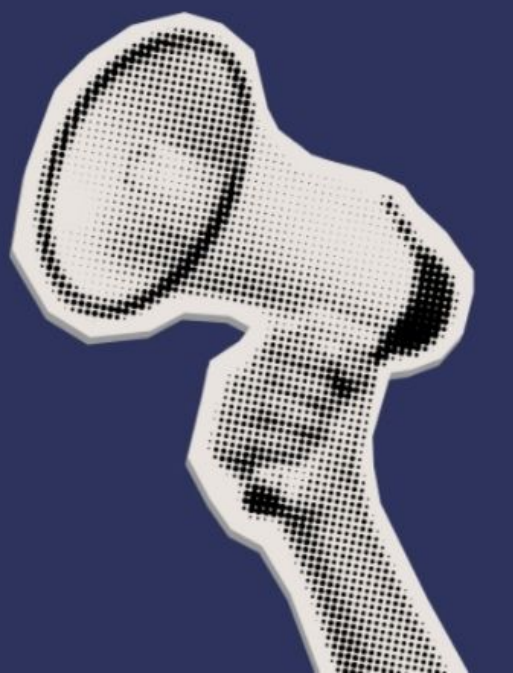
“Prophecy is hearing and communicating the heart of God, for the purpose of aligning people to Him.”



How should we prophesy?

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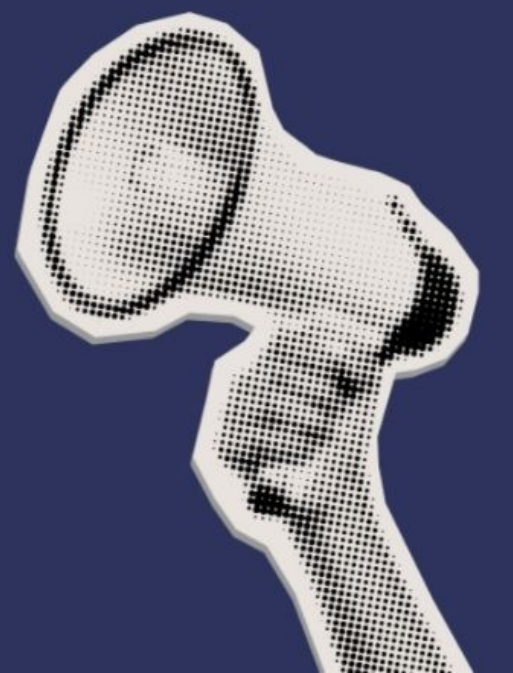
'The one who prophesies speaks to people for their strengthening, encouraging and comfort... the one who prophesies edifies the church.' (1 Cor 14.3-4)



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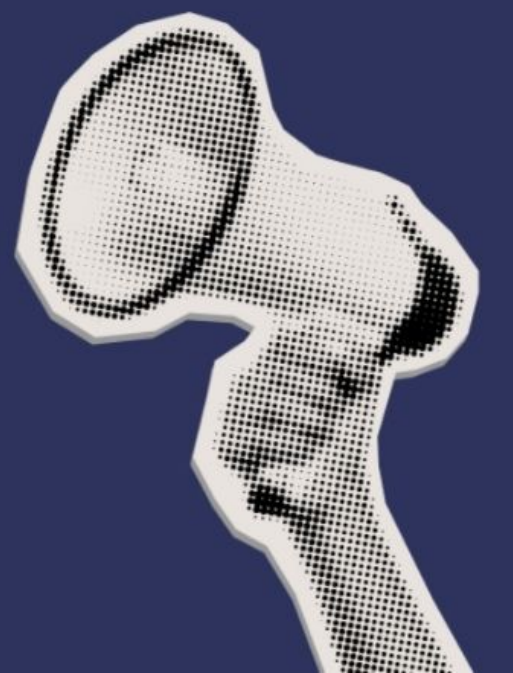
- Is this edifying, encouraging, and comforting?
- Are these the kind of words someone would expect to hear from the mouth of the God of Love?



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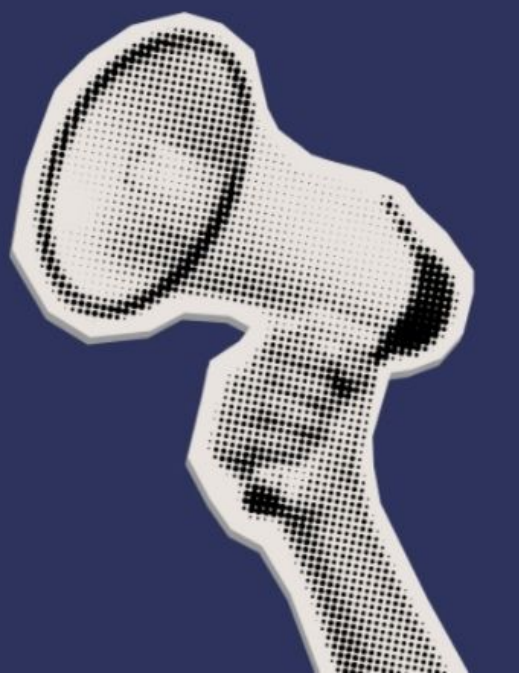
2) Keep it natural

'The spirits of prophets are subject to the control of prophets.' (1 Cor 14.32)



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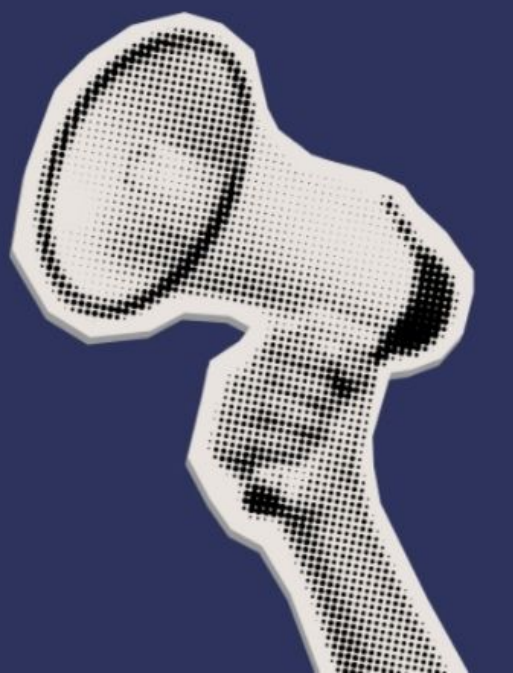
3) Keep it pure

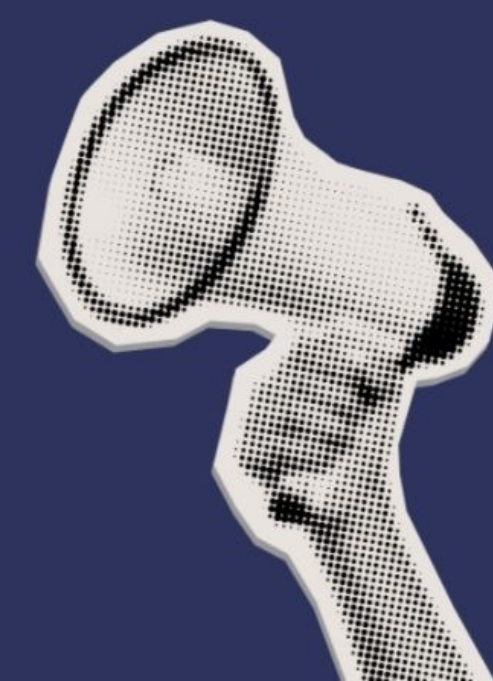


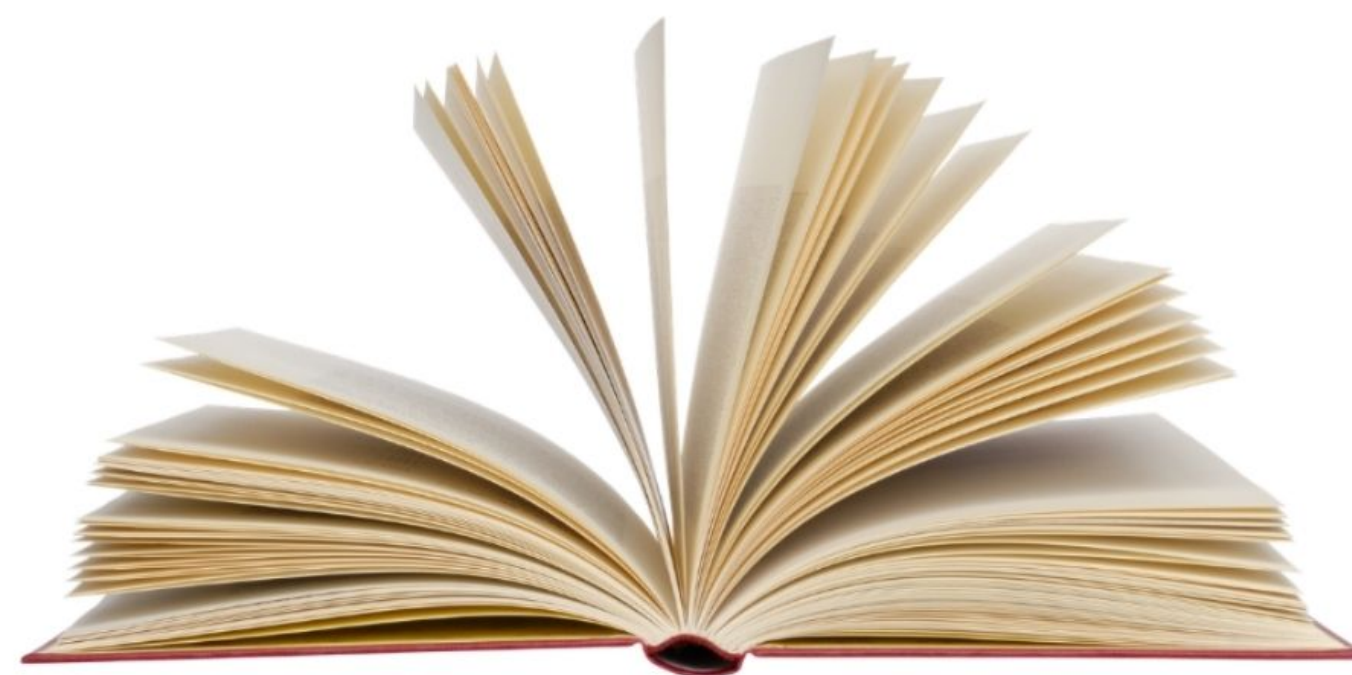
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4) Keep it conversational

- Who
- When
- What
- How







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