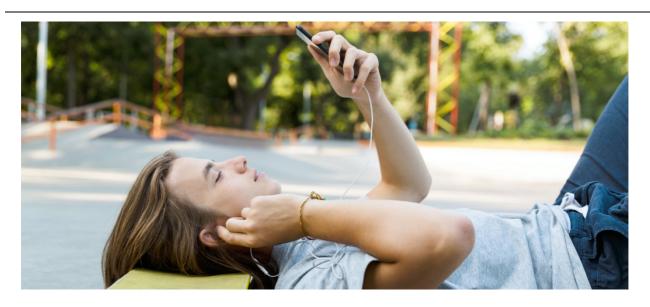
Say What Now?

Reflect on the photo, gently breathe, consciously connect - 'hi God'...

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to his voice! Do not harden your hearts... - *Psalm 95*

"Discovering your unique gift to bring to your community is your greatest opportunity and challenge. The offering of that gift—your true self—is the most you can do to love and serve the world. And it is all the world needs." - *Bill Plotkin*



The motivating energies of ego and soul are very different. The soul's impulse comes quietly and generously from within; we do not look for payment, reward, or advancement because we have found our soul gift, our inherent gladness. Listen, wait, and pray for your unique gift, your True Self. Meditation should lead to a clarity about what you are and, maybe even more importantly, what you are not.

...One sign that something is your vocation is that you would do it for free, even if there is no reward or social payoff. This clarifies a vocation quite quickly. – *Richard Rohr*

"How much dissolving and shaking of ego we must endure before we discover our deep identity—the true self within every human being that is the seed of authentic vocation...

Vocation does not come from willfulness. It comes from listening.... That insight is hidden in the word vocation itself, which is rooted in the Latin for "voice." Vocation does not mean a goal I pursue. It means a calling that I hear.... I must listen for the truths and values at the heart of my own identity." – *Parker Palmer*

Reflection: What is my ego looking for? What would I do for free?

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