

The Sovereign LORD has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. Isaiah 50:4 (NIV)

Awaken

Nothing would excite me more than to know that you will wake me up in the morning so that I can be taught by you. There is no place I would rather be than in your classroom. There is nothing I would rather do than to sit down to hear from you. **Then you will set a time and a place to meet with me.** Yes, I will. **You will guard and protect our time together so that you will continue to meet with me.** Yes, I will. **You will make our time together the top priority in your life.** Yes, I will. **You will not let the busyness of life take away from our time together.** No, I will not. **You will not let any of the demands of life crowd me out of your life.** No, I will not. **This commitment to meet with me at a set time and in a special place should come as no difficulty to you.** Why is that? **You have already said that there is no place you would rather be than in my presence. You have already said that there is nothing that you would rather do than hear from me.** That's true. That is what I said. You are right. It will not be difficult for me to continue to meet with you. I long to be in your presence. I hunger and thirst for you. I want to hear everything that you have to say to me. I want you to teach me. I want you to train me. I want you to mold and shape my life. Open my ears to hear you. **Yes, I will.**

I am delighted that you hunger and thirst for me. It gives me great pleasure to know that you want to hear every word that I have to say to you. We both want the very same thing. You want to hear from me. I want to speak to you. You want to be used by me. I want to use you. As you meet with me you will hear from me. As you hear from me I will give you my words. My words will not only be for you. My words will not just teach and train you. My words will instruct your tongue so that you can speak my words. The words that I speak through you will sustain the weary. You will comfort and encourage others with my words. In this way you will bear an abundance of fruit for my kingdom and bring glory to my name. Are you ready for me to use you? Yes Lord, I am. **Keep on meeting with me so that I can give you my words.** Yes Lord, I will.

Lord, awaken me morning by morning to meet with you. Awaken my heart and mind to you. Give me ears to hear all that you have to say to me. Teach and train me with your word. Instruct my tongue so I can speak words to encourage and sustain the weary. Amen

Mouth *An Instructed Tongue*

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NIV Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *The Tongue Of Those Who Are Taught*

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.

ESV Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *His Words Of Wisdom*

The Sovereign LORD has given me his words of wisdom, so that I know how to comfort the weary. Morning by morning he wakens me and opens my understanding to his will.

NLT Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *The Tongue Of The Learned*

"The Lord GOD has given Me The tongue of the learned, That I should know how to speak A word in season to him who is weary. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear To hear as the learned.

NKJV Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *The Tongue Of A Teacher*

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

NRSV Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *A Well-Taught Tongue*

The Master, GOD, has given me a well-taught tongue, So I know how to encourage tired people. He wakes me up in the morning, Wakes me up, opens my ears to listen as one ready to take orders.

MSG Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *The Tongue Of A Disciple*

[The Servant of God says] The Lord God has given Me the tongue of a disciple and of one who is taught, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him who is weary. He wakens Me morning by morning, He wakens My ear to hear as a disciple [as one who is taught].

AMP Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *His Words Of Wisdom*

The Lord God has given me his words of wisdom so that I may know what I should say to all these weary ones. Morning by morning he wakens me and opens my understanding to his will.

TLB Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *The Tongue Of Disciples*

The Lord GOD has given Me the tongue of disciples, That I may know how to sustain the weary one with a word. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear to listen as a disciple.

NASB Isaiah 50:4

Mouth *Ability To Teach*

The Lord GOD gave me the ability to teach so that I know what to say to make the weak strong. Every morning he wakes me. He teaches me to listen like a student.

NCV Isaiah 50:4

An Instructed Tongue

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Mouth – Isaiah 50:4

In Context: *Read Isaiah 50*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God’s Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

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What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

When are you most able to hear the words that the Lord wants to teach you?

Why must you meet with the Lord and allow Him to teach you if you want to be able to speak His words?

When have you been sustained by words that the Lord has spoken to you through another person?

What are some words from the Lord that have revived and refreshed you from your weariness?

When have you asked the Lord to instruct your tongue so you would have His words with which to sustain the weary?

When has the Lord given you His words to speak to help sustain someone who was weary?

How thankful have you been to know that the Lord has used you to speak His words to sustain the weary?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Allow the Lord to awaken you morning by morning so he can instruct your tongue with words to sustain the weary.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in our heart?)

Have faith that the Lord will teach you and instruct your tongue with His words with which you can sustain the weary.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how the Lord has made you able to sustain the weary with His words.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration...

Thanksgiving...

Confession...

Intercession...

Petition...

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you allow the Lord to teach you and instruct your tongue so you will have His words to sustain the weary.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will allow you to teach me and instruct my tongue so I can speak your words to sustain the weary.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how do you want to teach me and instruct my tongue so I can speak your words to sustain the weary?
