Questions for Conversations

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How has God been speaking to you recently?

What has he been saying?

Is there anything we (or I) can do help you develop a listening ear .

Have you experienced disappointments in friendship that led you to become a bit more hard, more closed off, to the vulnerability of friendship? What is the danger to letting this hardness set?

Attentiveness and Listening

What exercise or discipline might you try to pay attention more?

If you dare, ask someone you trust to be honest and loving with you, to rate your listening skills on a scale of 1-10? (If you are afraid to, then you know you should be working on it).

Slowing Down and Making Friend(ship) a Priority

Which obstacle is most problematic for you to being available and unhurried? Perhaps it is one of the three that Rob mentioned, (busyness, technology, mobility) or something else. If something else, what? Why do you think that is your obstacle?

Waiting

Rob suggested a part of relating to this God, our unhurried friend is to learn the hard discipline of waiting. How do any of us get better at waiting?

Sharing Your Life

Pray about who God might be leading you to develop into an *anamchara* (soul friend).

If this were your final week, which three friends would you miss most? What is one concrete step you can take this week to strengthen each friendship or at least let them know how much they mean to you?

Share and prayer.