# IS GOD STILL TALKING TO US?

#### **Learning Goals:**

- 1. NCSYers will engage in a discussion about seeing/not seeing God in the world today.
- 2. NCSYers will understand that the world is specifically designed to hide God's Presence.
- 3. NCSYers will consider that they can have a relationship with God.

#### Advisor Toolbox:

# **ACTIVITIES/GAMES**

• Hide And Go Seek

### **VIDEOS/ARTICLES**

• Blind Devotion - <a href="https://tinyurl.com/BlindDevotion">https://tinyurl.com/BlindDevotion</a>

# **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- Have you ever experienced a miracle?
- Do you think God likes being hidden?

### **Activities/Hooks:**

- Hide And Go Seek (be thoughtful about time!) Afterward ask:
  - o Is hiding harder for the seeker or the person hiding?
  - o Do you think God likes hiding?

#### A Little Explanation

- 1. This session is really about finding God if you look for Him.
  - The conversation could lead to discussion of miracles and why we don't see open miracles today.
  - The conversation could lead to unanswered prayers you can differentiate between unanswered prayers and God says "no".
- 2. Rabbi Haber's article is long, but there are gems in it find pieces to highlight for your teens.
- 3. You don't need to look at every source describing that God is hidden, but make sure that message is clearly communicated: God's hidden nature is by design not a mistake.
- 4. This is an opportunity to have an honest conversation, and even to express your own challenges if you feel comfortable.
- 5. The Blind Devotion video is a powerful parable for how God acts with us.
  - Questions to ask after watching:
    - Would you prefer to have your spouse helping you every day without telling you?
      What about God?
    - o Where in your life do you think it is possible that God was "hiding behind you"?