# HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

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What is your first impression / reaction to this statement: "Hear God's Voice"

# NOTES

# IN THE BIBLE WE SEE THAT GOD IS A GOD THAT SPEAKS

How many times did the bible mention that God speaks?

- 45 "God said" in the O.T.
- 219 "The word of the Lord"
- 103 "The word of the Lord came to"
- 185 "The Lord says"
- 167 "This is what the Lord says"
- 44 "The is what the Lord Almighty says"
- 131 "This is what the Sovereign Lord says"
- 23 "The Lord spoke"
- 162 "Declares the Lord"
- 21 "Declares the Lord Almightly"
- 30 "Hear the word of the Lord"

The word "oracle" used 38 times, denotes a particular word given in response to a petition to God or is a specific authoritative word, often of judgement, as found in Isaiah.

Knowing and hearing God's voice is a basic right of every believer, because He wants an intimate relationship with each one of us. Every believer can learn to hear and respond to the voice of God. Clear, biblical applications showed us how to apply the lessons to our own everyday life.

Read the following verses: What stands out for you?

Romans 8:14-28

"My sheep listen to My voice; and I know them and they follow Me." John 10:27

"He who belongs to God hears what God says." John 8:47

"The Lord takes the upright into His confidence." Proverbs 3:32

God communicated with men and women, who walked and talked with Him, and gave them very detailed instructions (Acts 9:10-12)
He hasn't changed. It is we who have changed.
We have relied on our own thinking and man's opinions.
The voice of others is so strong.

Jesus is our model. He showed us how to live and how to die. He only did what He saw His Father doing (John 5:19-20,30) He only spoke as the Father told him to speak (John 8:28-29;12:49)

# FOUR VOICES WE CAN HEAR

#### 1. Our Own Voice

We must die to our own ideas, imaginations, desires and give them to Him "Lean not on your own understanding." Proverbs 3:5-6

"He who trusts in himself is a fool." Proverbs 28:26; Isaiah 5:21

When we walk close to the Lord, His desires become our desires. Psalm 37:4 Give Him our burdens

1 Peter 5:7; Psalm 68:19; Phil.4:6

#### 2. Voice of Others

Parents, teachers, media, pastors, friends all may have something to contribute; but only look to others as much as they look to Jesus and His Word.

# 3. Voice of the Enemy

Stand against him in the all-powerful name of the Lord Jesus Christ and with the "sword of the Spirit," the Word of God.

"Submit yourselves to God, resist the devil, and he will flee from you." James 4:7

"Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes." Ephesians 6:10

"Resist the enemy and stand firm in the faith." 1Peter 5:6-11

# 4. Voice of God

The purpose of prayer is communication, and that leads to relationship.

We are His children (Romans 8:16)

His sheep listen to His voice (John 10:3,4,10)

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you." Psalm 32:8

The basis of our belief that He will speak to us comes from the knowledge of His character. He longs to communicate with us and lead us and guide us. (Isaiah 50:4-5)

God will always make a way for those who believe and obey. His truth will always set us free. (John 8:32; Psalm 84:11)

We must walk in obedience to what He has said. If we love Him, we will obey. (John 14:15,23)

# Preparation for Listening to God

In order to hear God's voice clearly we must have surrendered, clean and Spirit-controlled lives.

It's a way of life.

# 1. Affirm Jesus' Lordship.

Jesus must be Lord of your life. (Romans 10:9-10). Are you willing to do whatever He says, before He says it? "We are called to do His will, not ours. (Romans 12:2; 2Cor 5:15)

#### 2. Create in Me a Clean Heart.

Up to the knowledge you have, your heart must be right before God. "If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened." Psalm 66:18

"We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly man who does His will." John 9:31

#### 3. Quiet Yourself Before God.

Ask Him if there is anything hindering you from hearing from Him. He will show you by His Spirit. Tell Him how much you love Him. We need to learn to be still.

#### 4. Die to Your Desires and Ideas

Die to those things that you want to hear. Give Him your burdens and anxieties

# **5. Submit to God, Resist the Enemy** and He Has to Go. (James 4:7)

# 6. Ask the Holy Spirit to Come and Fill You.

He will reveal truth to you. Luke 11:13; John 16:12-14)

# 7. By Faith Receive What He Has to Say to You.

The righteous live by faith.

Faith to believe that God does want to speak to you and faith to believe what He says.

Walking with God, and fellowshipping with God, will not happen without faith.

Faith is based on the character of God and the Word of God.

\*\*\* Faith always includes an action. \*\*\*

# 8. Thoughts Will Come Into Your Mind, Write Them Down.

Don't argue with God or He will stop speaking, until you are finished.

# **9. Be Prepared That He May Speak Through His Word** (Psalm 119:105);

or through the eyes of your heart - a vision. (Eph.1:18; Hab 2:1)

# TESTING THE WORD YOU HAVE RECEIVED

# **1. Does it Go According to God's Word, the Bible?** (Acts17:11; 2Tim 3:16-17)

- 2. Is it consistent with the Character of Jesus?
- **3. Does it Glorify Jesus and Bring You Closer to God?** (If prophecy exalts anyone but Jesus, be careful.)
- **4. Does it Witness in Your Spirit and With the Spirit?** (Romans 8:6,16) He gives us a peace beyond our understanding (Phil 4:7; Jn 14:26-27)
- 5. **Does it Witness in the Spirit of Others?** Do other people or circumstances confirm what you are hearing?

# 6. God Speaks Truth

(He renews our thinking, that we are loved and that He wants the highest good for us). He speaks with clarity (not complicated), gently, instilling hope and establishing intimacy.

7. Will the application produce peace or strive?

# An extra note taken from "Is that really you God?" by Loren Cunningham, Founder of YWAM

Allow God to speak to you in the way He chooses. Don't try to dictate to Him concerning the guidance method you prefer. He is Lord. You are His servant (1Sam3:9) Listen with a yielded heart; there is a direct link between yieldedness and hearing.

Use the Ax-head principle - a term coined from the story in 2 Kings 6. If you seem to have lost your way, go back to the last time you knew the sharp cutting edge of God's voice. Then obey. The key question is, have you obeyed the last thing God told you to do.

Get your own leading. God will use others to confirm your guidance but you should also hear from Him directly. It can be dangerous to rely on others to get the word of the Lord for you. (1Kings 13)

Don't talk about your guidance until the Lord give you Permission to do so. Sometimes this happens immediately, at other times, there is a delay. The main purpose of waiting is to avoid four pitfalls of guidance:

- a) Pride because God has spoken something to you
- b) Presumption, by speaking before you have full understanding
- c) Missing God's timing and method

d bringing confusion to others, they too need prepared hearts (Luke 9:36) Eccles 3:7

Beware of counterfeits. (Acts 8:9-11)

# The first time God and man spoke

Read the following scripture as a class. Genesis 1 - 3 Summarize your impression of the conversation in the garden
How many examples of blame shifting can you see?
How does blame-shifting influence your walk with God?
Does sin stop us hearing from God? God kept talking to Adam and Eve and people who sinned later in the bible but he stopped talking to Saul - What is the effect of sin between you and God?
GOD's PERSPECTIVE:
YOUR PERSPECTIVE:

# Reflect for a moment



# Read the following scriptures and apply them.

Deut 33:3 From You we receive instruction How can I apply this to my personal life?
PS 32:8 I will instruct you and teach you, I will counsel you How can I apply this to my personal life?
Isaiah 30:21 Your ears will hear a voice behind you saying this is the way How can I apply this to my personal life?
Isaiah 48:17 I am God who teaches you what is best for you How can I apply this to my personal life?
Isaiah 50:4-5 He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. How can I apply this to my personal life?

# NOTES



# CHARACTERISTICS OF JESUS CHRIST

It is very important to know the Character of God when one *receive words* from God and when one *give words* to people. Take time to meditate on these Characteristics of Christ. Words must always align with Biblical Truth.

- **Love** will enable us to appreciate our brothers and sisters in the Lord, and, of course, our family, and others around us. Love is taking the initiative to build up and meet the needs of others without expecting anything in return. (John 13:1; John 15:13; 1 Corinthians 13:3)
- **Joy** will allow us to enjoy His creation, others, and our circumstances with an expression of delight and real, authentic happiness from and with harmony with God and others. (Proverbs 15:13; John 15:11; John 17:13)
- **Peace** is surrendering and yielding to the Lord's control, for He is our ultimate peace! It is allowing tranquility to be our tone and to control our equanimity. This will be fueled by our harmonious relationship with God so we can hand over control of our heart, will, and mind to Him. Once we make real peace with God, we will be able to make and maintain peace with others. (Matthew 5:9; Colossians 3:15; Philippians 4:7)
- **Patience** is showing tolerance and fortitude to others, and even accepting difficult situations from them and God without making demands and conditions. (Matthew 27:14; Romans 12:12; James 1:3,12)
- **Kindness** is practicing benevolence and a loving attitude towards others. (Ephesians 4:32)
- **Goodness** displays integrity, honesty, and compassion to others, and allows us to do the right thing. (Matthew 19:16)
- Faithfulness is the "gluing" fruit that will preserve our faith and the other characters of the Spirit as well as identify God's Will so we can be dependable and trusting to God and others. (Matthew 17:19; Matthew 25:21; 1 Cor. 12:9; Hebrews 11:1; 1 Thes 5:24)

- **Gentleness** is the character that will show calmness, personal care, and tenderness in meeting the needs of others. (Isa. 40:11; Philippians 4:5; 2 Timothy 2:24; 1 Thes 2:7)
- **Self-Control** will allow us to have discipline, and restraint with obedience to God and others. (1 Thes 5: 22)
- Forgiving is the realization of how much we have been forgiven by Christ. This enables us to forgive the insignificant things that are done to us. It involves not being resentful to others, and ignoring the wrongs that we have received so we can heal relationships by expressing Christ's love. (Luke 23:34; Ephesians 4:32; Colossians 3:13)
- **Humility** minimizes arrogance and removes pride. It is understanding our fallen nature and tendency to think we are better than we are, and our striving to lift up ourselves above others and God. It is admitting that others, and more importantly God is responsible for our achievements. Humbleness will enable us to be a teachable person who is willing to have the attitude of submission and servant-hood, one who confesses sin and remembers how Christ served us! (Luke 22:27; Philippians 2:8; 1 Peter 5:3–5)
- **Fairness** sees a situation from the viewpoint of each person involved and not just ours. It seeks the best, just, equable solution, even if it hurts us. (Matthew 7:12)
- **Courage** realizes that God has given us the strength to face any situation, trial, or peril. It is the ability to react, knowing that God is in control, that He who is in me is greater than he who is against me. (Deuteronomy 31:6; 1 John 4:4)
- **Dependable** is being constantly reliable and trustworthy. It will allow us to continue in our commitments even if it means personal sacrifice. (1 Corinthians 4:2; Colossians 1:10)
- **Gratitude** is an attitude of being thankful, even when we do not see what we have. This is an aspect of worship, expressing to God and others how they have benefited our lives by showing their support and benevolence. (1 Corinthians 4:7; 1 Thes. 5: 18)
- Honesty & Truthfulness mean being straight and honest with others and doing what is right. This trait will allow us to earn trust by being accurate with facts and situations. (2 Cor. 8:21; Ephesians 4:25)

- **Friendship** is the companionship and closeness we are to have with one another. It is the commitment to help form the character in others. This is not to be feared but embraced, even when it hurts! (Proverbs 27:17)
- **Responsibility** is to know and do what God and others expect. (Romans 14:12)
- **Contentment** is the attitude of accepting whatever God provides for us, and being happy with it. It does not seek what we do not need for gratification, and does not find happiness in the shallow things of life. (Rom. 9:19–21; Philippians 4:10–13; 1 Tim. 6:6–9)
- **Generosity** allows us to give to others because God has given abundantly to us. It is the wise use of stewardship and the attitude that all I have belongs to God and knowing we are the caretakers for His purpose. (Deut. 16:17; Matthew 10:8)
- **Purity & Holiness** is being set apart for God's use, which is holiness in action. It does not allow us to be contaminated nor interfere with others in our growth and relationship in Christ. (Matt. 5:8; Philippians 4:8; 1 Tim. 1:5; 1 Tim. 5:22; James 4:8)
- **Confidence** helps us rely on the Lord for all things in our life. It will enable us to push forward in the direction that we are called because He is governing. It makes us realize we are not responsible for the results—only the obedience. (Philippians 4:13)
- **Encouragement** will lift, support, and help others up through difficult circumstances, all from God's perspective. (Psalm 119:28; Psalm 143:3; Matt. 3:17; John 14:1; 1 Thes. 5:11–14)
- **Availability** is being willing to adjust our own schedule, agenda, and plans to fit the right desires of God and others. It makes personal priorities secondary to the needs of God and others. It is to reflect God's priorities so we are always available to Him and others when we are serving. (Mark 1:17–18; Acts 16:10)
- Attentiveness will recognize the value of other people by giving them listening ears, respect, courtesy, and total concentration. This means paying attention to others, not just listening to our own needs and desires, and also giving genuine contemplation to God's Word. (Hebrews 2:1)

- **Wisdom** truly desires the knowledge of God's Word and the proper application to our life. This will enable us to make good judgments and decisions. (1 Kings 3:9; Psalm 119:97–98)
- **Compassion** will feel the pain and plight of others. It will enable us to convey a deep feeling of love and concern that moves us to meet their distresses, struggles, and needs.

(Job 29:13; Isa. 40:11; Mark 1:41; Luke 19:4; 1 Peter 3:8)

- **Enthusiasm** will enable us to overcome disappointments and setbacks, so we can be positive, optimistic, and keep up our interest, attitude, and zeal, even when things are harsh. (Matt. 5:16; Rom. 12:11; Gal. 6:9; Col. 3:23)
- **Initiative** will take the front position to recognize and do what needs to be done before being asked to do it. (Prov. 22:29; Philippians 3:14; Philippians 4:13–15)
- **Diligence** allows us to operate with our best for His highest with excitement and passion in order to complete our work and call from the Lord. (Prov. 10:4; Rom. 12:11; Colossians 3:23)
- **Thoughtfulness** considers and gives attention and care to others and their feelings first. (Philippians 2:4)
- **Efficient** is being well organized, competent, and resourceful so we can make the most of every situation, doing our best and seeking better ways. (Psalm 90:12; Ephesians 4:23; Ephesians 5:15–16; 1 Pet. 4:10)
- **Discretion** keeps our minds and focus on sound judgment, giving serious attention and thought to what is going on. It will carefully choose our words, attitudes, and actions to be right for any given situation, thus avoiding words and actions that could result in adverse consequences. (Psalm 112:5; Proverbs 22:3; Rom. 12:2, Rom. 9; Rom. 14:19, Rom. 22)
- **Optimism** will think the best of and be positive with people and all situations, even if later proven wrong. (Luke 21:18; John 16:33; Romans 8:25; Romans 28)
- **Obedience** is submitting to do what God requires of us. It is also recognizing the authority and direction from others, such as the pastor and church, so we can create winning situations. (Deut. 13:4; Prov. 19:16; John 14:14; John 15:14; 2 Corinthians 10:5)

- **Reverence** is recognizing and respecting people, not just because of their position and authority, but as brothers and sisters in the Lord, regardless of their personality, knowing He loves them too! (1 Peter 2:13–14)
- **Agreeable** finds Biblical solutions and support for others, without compromising truth. (Amos 3:3)
- **Appreciation** gives God our heartfelt thanks as a lifestyle of worship and adoration. This allows us to give to, and value others with respect. (Romans 12:10)
- **Avoiding anger** is the knowing of its destructive force and striving to maintain "cool" and serenity. (James 1:19)
- Being a Good **Example** is not allowing your relationship with Christ to become hypocritical, since people see your example as to what a Christian is! (1 Pet 2:21,22; 1 Pet 2:12,15,17)
- Childlike Faith is the wonder and awe of what Christ did for us. It is something that we should never lose. Let us maintain our enthusiasm and not become just a subculture or routine! (Matt.18:2–4,34)
- **Commitment** is being dedicated and pushing ahead as well as being satisfied with what you have. It is vowing to honor and be the best with what God has given of spiritual and material things. (1 Timothy 6:20)
- **Communicating** is being willing to convey thoughts, attitudes, feelings, and actions to others in a kind and listening manner that reflects Christ. (1 Timothy 4:12)
- **Conviction** is devotion to and following of the precepts of Scripture with zeal, whatever the cost. (Daniel 1:8)
- **Cooperativeness** is the support and willingness to work together in peace, unity, and harmony. (Eph. 4:3)
- **Creative** is being resourceful and imaginative in using the best of the goods and talents we have been given to serve the Lord. (1 Timothy 4:14)

- **Diligenceis** the loving of our call and the pursuing of our work, doing our best for His glory. (Colossians 3:23)
- **Dependableis** always being reliable and trustworthy. (Colossians 1:10)
- **Determination** is the ability to make difficult decisions and accomplish God's goals based on the truths of God's Word, regardless of the opposition. (Psalms 119:30; 2 Timothy 4:7,8)
- **Deference** is being willing to bend personal freedom for the respect and esteem of others. (Romans 14:21)
- **Devotion** is aligning personal desires, plans, worship, and hope with God. (Colossians 3:2)
- **Discernment** is the ability to see people and situations the way they really are with of neutrality and justice, while also being cautious with right timing and actions. (1 Samuel 16:7; Proverbs 19:2)
- **Discreet** is the ability to not bully people with our personality or actions, or even with sound and right opinions. It is giving serious respect, attention, and thought to what we say and do. (Psalm 112:5)

**Discipline** is upholding and continuing a consistent and wellordered life through godly obedience, regardless of how we feel. (1 Timothy 4:7)

- **Decisive** is sticking to right and just decisions based on God's perfect will. (Romans 12:2)
- Not to swear or slander is refusing to verbally hurt others! (James 1:26)
- **Endurance** is the inner strength to remain in Him with staying power in order to accomplish God's will. (Galatians 6:9)
- **Fearless** is facing down peril without being stupid. Sound mind is being bold since God gives us strength. (2 Timothy 1:7)
- **Flexibility** is being open to others plans and ideas and willing to be instructed and challenged to change for the better. (Colossians 3:2)

- **Godly Priorities** is choosing to follow Scriptural precepts as the primary important schedule and value for life. (Matthew 6:33)
- **Godliness** is being pious, which is rearranging our priorities to line up with God's character. (3 John 11)
- **Grace** is elegant simplicity and calm that minimizes crudeness. (Psalm 94:11; James 4:6)
- **Guidance** is a willingness to help others to apply the precepts of Scripture in everyday and difficult situations. (Proverbs 27:9)
- **Harmless** is not willing or deliberately hurting anyone or anything. (Heb 7:26)
- *Honest* is being truthful and doing what is sincere and right before God and others. (Heb 7:26)
- **Hospitality** is a willingness to share, with discernment, what God has given us, including our family, home, finances, and food. (Romans 12:13)
- **Integrity** is the obedience to a moral code of values that have honor, truth, and reliability. It will allow one to keep his word and do his best even when no one else is looking. (Psalm 78:72)
- Just is doing what is fair, moral, impartial, and right, according to **God's** will. (Genesis 6:9)
- **Loyalty** is remaining committed to those whom God has brought into our lives and has called us to serve, even in times of difficulty. (Proverbs 17:17)
- **Meekness** is not about being weak! It is strength under control, which yields personal rights and expectations to God. (Psalms 62:5)

**Merciful** is demonstrating more forgiving and gracious kindness than the world requires. (Luke 6:36)

• **Patience** is the fortitude to accept from others difficult situations that we do not like. With God, it is trust of His timing, and not givingHim a deadline. (Romans 12:12)

- **Perseverance** is not being faint with our call, but being able to persist and continue to deal with stress so we can accomplish what God calls us to. (Galatians 6:9)
- **Persuasiveness** advocates God's Word to others so they can be changed in their thinking and can conform to His will. (2 Timothy 2:25)
- **Prompt** is not holding others back with our inadequacies; it is respecting the time of others and being able to act quickly when God and others call on us. (Ecclesiastes 3:1)
- **Prudence** is not being a prude, but implementing and applying good, logical, and just judgment to situations that will help in avoiding error and problems. (Proverbs 13:6; Proverbs 22:3)
- **Purpose** is in knowing who we are in Christ and acting it out with our call. That is, devoting our life, Spiritual gifts, abilities, and call so it can bring out the best in people and situations. Our meaning of life will have eternal treasure and results. (John 15)
- **Respectful** is being polite and courteous to the people, and the civil authorities God has placed in our life. (1 Thes. 5:13–14)
- Security is trust and **reliance** upon God for our daily needs. This is not laziness, but working with God's values, and organizing our life around God's Will with an eternal outlook in mind for a secure feeling. We are safe because of God's protection.

Proverbs 29:25; John 6:27)

- **Submissive** is, with awe and reverence, surrendering and yielding our will and plans over to God's guidance. (Ephesians 5:21)
- **Self-Acceptance** is realizing we are deeply loved and accepted by Christ, thus, we can accept us. To love others we have to love ourselves as Christ implies for us to. Self-hatred is not Biblical! Self-Acceptance will allow us to accept unchangeable physical features and situations that God has made, to allow us to focus on the more important things in life such as character. (2 Corinthians 12:9–10)
- **Selflessness** is the altruistic giving of ourselves to others, as Christgave Himself to us. (Titus 2:14)

- **Sensitivity** is exercising kindness and compassion so we can go beyond just reason and logic to perceive and respond to others. (Romans 12:15)
- **Servant Leadership** is exercising real godly leadership as Christ did, by His taking a towel, influencing, equipping, and empowering people to accomplish God's purpose and plan. (Luke 22:26)
- **Sincerity** is earnest honesty that is readily doing what is right, with pure and loving intention. (Joshua 24:14; 1 Peter 1:22)
- **Success** is not what the world says is achievement; it is to know and faithfully follow God's Will and His Word. It is our obedience, not our numbers or measurements! (Matthew 25:21)
- **Suffering** is not sought, but when it happens, it is d allowing it to turn into a mold to allow us to be made for the better as "Christ hath suffered" makes us better. It is not a personal attack, rather it is a means to get our attention to make us better, more useful, stronger, and to understand what takes place in others. (1 Peter 4:1–19)
- **Supportive** is to come along side others, sharing our strength and courage in their afflictions and troubles. (Galatians 6:2)
- **Tactful** is being considerate, delicate, and diplomatic with other's feelings and ideas, doing, and saying the right thing. (Colossians 4:6)
- **Teach** is to share our insights and what we have learned with others, to disciple them.

(Matt. 7:28; Matt. 28:19–20; John 7:16; Mark 4:2; 2 John 1:9)

• **Temperate** is to have self-control so we do not lose control and give in to lust and extremes of society's ills. (Titus 2:12)

- **Tolerant** is being forbearing and patient with others, even when they are different or weaker. (1 Thes. 5:14)
- **Thoroughness** is careful diligence that carries out our call with our very best for God's approval. (Ecclesiastes 9:10; Colossians 3:23)
- **Time** is the moments in which we either burn or live for His glory. It is the opportunities we have to live, serve, learn, and grow. In so doing, if we invest wisely, we will produce eternal treasures. If not, it will go to waste. (Psalm 90:12)
- **Understanding** is the ability to reason and comprehend situations. (Psalms 119:34)
- **Virtue** is holding onto the principles of moral excellence that calls us to a higher level where few people desire to go, but as a Christian, we must go! (Col. 3:12–17)
- **Zealous** is maintaining our enthusiasm for our faith and call, not allowing our church or us to fall into a rut of meaningless rhetoric. (Luke 2:49; John 2:17; John 8:29)

WHICH 10 CHARACTERISTIC do you feel you have victory in?

WHICH 10 CHARACTERISTIC do you feel you need victory in?

# WAYS TO HEAR GOD

In what ways have you already heard God speak to you?

1 The Bible - The Word of God
2 Jesus
3 Nature
4 Music
5 Circumstances
6 Holy Spirit
7 Prayer
8 People
9 Visions
10 Prophets
11 Angels / Messengers
12 Journaling
13 Audible Voice from God
14 Dreams
15 Signs
16 Imagination

## THE WORD OF GOD

2 Timothy 3:16-17 says that all Scripture is "God-breathed."

The Bible is the inspired Word of God. God's road map and directions for our lives. Anytime we need to know God's heart on a matter, we can go to the Bible to hear a word from Him. See 2 Timothy 3:16

His Word sometimes gives us a warning, a word of encouragement, or a lesson for life. It's "His-story"—written with love as God's guide for life, "so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." That means God is whispering, and sometimes shouting, all through His Word, giving us instructions and principles for life. As we interpret Scripture by other Scripture, we avoid the false logic and misinterpretations that sneak into our world. If someone claims, "God told me to go kill my neighbor!" would you believe him? Of course not! God never violates His own Word or principles. That "voice" does not belong to God.

#### NOTES:

# **JESUS**

God speaks Through His Son, Jesus Christ

The New Testament was the fulfillment of God's special plan. It's the gospel: the good news of Jesus Christ. "In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by His Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe" (Hebrews 1:1-2, NIV).

Through the words of Jesus in Scripture, we can "hear" God's heart and God's voice—and know what God is truly like. These words were not written for a few, select individuals who could jump through the right spiritual hoops ("For God so loved the world…"). Someone in Africa, in Germany, in China, and in Alabama can "hear" Jesus' voice by reading the same Bible.

Comparing us to sheep and He as the Shepherd, Jesus says in John 10:27, NKJV: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." Why? Because the sheep know who He is. They belong to Him, and they recognize Him by the sound of His voice. And He's the one who will always lovingly lead them on the right path–again and again.

## NATURE

Through Nature and God's Creation "For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse " (Romans 1:20, NIV). Through the intricate details and magnificent beauty of all that God has made, we can "hear" His voice. How? By observing the ant's strength to store up food all summer long, we learn about wisdom and industriousness. By studying the heavens, we understand more of God's greatness. And through planting and growing a garden, we "hear" about miracles of death and rebirth. God designed— and spoke them all into existence

## THROUGH MUSIC

Perhaps one of the ways I can sense God's presence the most and "hear" His voice the best is when I am praising Him through music. Maybe it's because in times of depression and difficult trials in the past, I would pour over David's songs in Psalms, often singing them back to God with my own tunes. Praise brings me instantly to attention, like a sergeant's command to his soldiers. The words and the notes bring a soothing comfort, excitement, and passion that open my ears and heart and lift my spirit immediately. In 2 Chronicles 20, King Jehoshaphat faced a huge army of enemies who could have easily destroyed His people, but he did a strange thing. With a declaration that his eyes were on God, he sent in a choir of praise singers: "Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the LORD and to praise him for the splendor of his holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: 'Give thanks to the LORD, for his love endures forever'" (2 Chronicles 20:21, NIV) God "spoke" clearly. He released His power, and Jehoshaphat's army defeated their enemies!

# **CIRCUMSTANCES**

2Kings 6:15-17 - what is God's perspective? When others claim to hear God through circumstances, I try to caution them to test their conclusions with other evidence. God is a Holy God, and often uses circumstances to get our attention. But He will usually confirm it in other ways. Someone once told me they just knew God was telling them it was okay to buy a brand-new pickup. They'd prayed about it, and circumstances confirmed it: the local car dealership had just the color and model they wanted. But there was one small problem they were neglecting. They couldn't afford it on their income. And they ignored other red flags as well. Through Moses, God used circumstances (plagues) to convince Egypt's leader to release God's people from slavery. But Pharaoh wouldn't listen.

# **Through The Promptings of HOLY SPIRIT**

Jesus promised to send us the Holy Spirit before He was crucified. The Holy Spirit comforts, leads, guides, and reminds us. If you are born again, you were given the Holy Spirit when you accepted Christ. See John 14:26 I once heard someone teach about "minding the checks" in your spirit. Some may call it "God's whispers," while others say, "God's still, small voice." We are made in the image of God, and when we confess Jesus and follow Him as our Lord and Savior, His Spirit comes to live in us (John 14:17, 1 Corinthians 3:16). God's Spirit speaks to us through our conscience, helping to make the right decision. When we're tempted, that same Spirit warns and nudges us to do the right thing. Why do you suppose ten people can "hear" a sermon, but each person will walk away with a different truth that applies to him? In some cases, the speaker never spoke what the people say they "heard." Many times, that may be the result of God's Spirit speaking a personal "Rhema," a living, breathing word of truth to our spirits. It's when Scripture comes alive to us—because it is truly "Godbreathed."

#### **PRAYER**

Each way I've shared that God may speak to us today meshes into the other. God often speaks to us through His Spirit, through prayer. We may not know how to pray, but God's Word tells us His spirit makes intercession for us (Romans 8:26, 27).

Often through a combination of fasting and prayer, our minds become clearer and our hearts are more sensitive to God. Again, we may not hear God's literal voice, but His Spirit confirms a certain direction or answer for us. As the distractions fade, we can sense His leading in a new way. Sometimes while praying, God's Spirit will remind us of a Scripture or a truth in His Word that we can directly apply to the situation.

Does that happen immediately? Not always. There have been occasions where I still had no clue what to do, but in faith I thanked God whenever and however He would answer. A day, a week, maybe even months pass. Then one day in the shower or on a walk, a thought comes—that gentle "whisper" that could only come from Him, accompanied by His peace.

## **VISIONS**

These are images, scenes, or events supernaturally seen that convey a message regarding present or future events. Visions occur when a person is fully awake. See Genesis 15:1, Acts 9:12, Acts 10:10 -17, Acts 16:9, Joel 2:2

#### **Notes**

# **PROPHETS**

Those chosen to speak the thoughts of God to people on behalf of God. The office of Prophet was active in the Old Testament, New Testament, and is active today according to Ephesians 4:11. IT WILL *CONFIRM* GOD's WORD TO YOU

#### **Notes**

EVERY BORN AGAIN BELIEVER HAS TWO SETS OF EYES. PAUL SAID: I PRAY THAT THE **EYES OF YOUR HEART** MAY BE ENLIGHTENED (EPHESIANS 1:18)

#### **ANGELS**

An immortal Heavenly being seen in the Old Testament, and in the New Testament. Angels were used as messengers from God. Many Christians today have also seen angles. See Zechariah 4:4, Genesis, 16:9, Matthew 28:5, Luke 1:11, Act 8:26

#### **Notes**

#### **JOURNALING**

When we write, God can sometimes start to speak while we are writing. This is not a dictation and must be biblical!

#### **Notes**

#### **MIRACULOUS SIGNS**

Things that happen that only God could have done. Miracles are seen all throughout the Old and New Testament, and are still seen today.

#### **Notes**

#### **PEOPLE**

Sometimes God will use ordinary people to speak a word into our lives or to confirm something He has already spoken to us. God may use a friend, a teacher, a parent, or a preacher to convey His message of truth to us. Their words may come as a warning, a blessing, or as a prophetic truth about our lives. Whether we choose to hear it or ignore it, depends on us. Do their words line up with Scripture? Will God confirm or affirm that truth in us? "The wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial, and sincere" (James 3:17, NIV). I've "heard" God speak to me numerous times through other people. It may not sound to you like ways of "hearing God's voice," but it's possible to reduce God to our own image if we insist on Him acting or reacting a certain way. God is bigger than that. He once spoke through a donkey (Numbers 22:28). Why then, can't He speak through anyone at anytime or in any way He wants to?

#### **Notes**

#### **DREAMS**

These are images, scenes, or events seen while we are sleeping that give insight to present or future events. (NOTE: Not alldreams are God inspired.) See Genesis 42:9, Joel 2:28, Matthew 2:12

#### **Notes**

#### **AUDIBLE VOICE**

In the Old Testament it was common for God to speak in an audible voice. Today some believers have also experienced God speaking to them in this manner. See Genesis 8:15, Exodus 6:2, Matthew 3:17

#### **Notes**

# OBSTACLES THAT STOPS US HEARING GOD CLEARLY

- 1 Not having faith that he will speak to you.
- 2 Fear of making mistakes.
- 3 Hidden / unconfessed sin Ps 66:18
- 4 Idolatry and witchcraft
- 5 Not making Jesus Lord in every area of my life
- 6 Disobedience
- 7 You need time to learn how to discern his voice.
- 8 Faulty beliefs will distort his words to you.

WHEN YOUR PEACE LEAVES,
LEAVE WITH YOUR PEACE.

## YOUR SOUL'S PATH TO GOD

Notes taken from the book: Discover Your Soul's Path to God By Gary Thomas

"Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's spiritual walk."

Are you envious of the way that some people seem to walk closely with God?

It's better to discover the path God designed you to take – a path marked by

growth and fulfillment, based on your unique temperament.

- Embrace the unique way that you interact with God.
- Relish your personal time reading the Bible.
- Enjoy deeper community by supporting how others relate to God.
- Turn obligatory devotions into spiritual moments that you savor.

#### Naturalist:

For the naturalist, creation is as much acathedral as any church building. Indeed, God's very first temple was a garden, in Eden, and his ultimate temple in Revelation 22 has features of a garden as well. In the mean time, "The earth is full of his glory" (Is. 6:3), so it must be possible to tap into this as a bridge into his presence. Some of us, the naturalists, are better at this than others. They simply thrive in nature. Here are three different aspects of this pathway. Firstly, in creation, we see something of God's splendour and greatness. Second, creation teaches and illustrates many principles and truths. And finally, creation is a place to rest and recuperate – while praying, worshipping, and contemplating. This is the ideal pathway for me and daily walks with my dog become an open space for my spirit to engage

#### Traditionalist:

The traditionalist thrives on ritual and symbol. The obvious expression of this pathway is a traditional, liturgical church service and the use of ancient prayers and other ancient texts. But it is also possible to create our own rituals, prayers, and liturgies as well as our own symbols. The standardized words help us to focus our mind; the symbols serve as bridges on the deepest level of our soul and spirit. One way to introduce some ritual into our lives is to observe the Christian holidays (holy-days!) of the church calendar. After all, ever since Moses (see Lev. 23), God's people have had some form of a ritual calendar. Every team would do well to establish some special celebrations, feasts, customs and rhythms through the year. This creates variety, expectation and seasons in the team life that can add stability.

#### Sensate:

The sensate most readily meets God through the five senses, through things one can see (architecture, visual art, dance), hear (great music), smell (i cense and fragrances), touch (an embrace, something to handle), or taste (Lord's Supper, a meal). Beauty and sensate experience enraptures this person. There is some overlap, therefore, with the naturalist pathway and also with the traditionalist one, although the sensate does not have to be outside and the activity does not have to be traditional. The sensate also tends to enjoy connecting to God by initiating – not merely receiving – artistic, creative, and sensate experiences, that is, through doing and making: a painting, handicraft, a dance, a shape, an arrangement etc. Over recent years we have been more and more open to hands on experience in worship and in application of teaching.

#### Ascetic:

The ascetic way is marked by discipline, austerity, abstinence, simplicity, and strictness. It is not that these earn merit; they are embraced in order to focus more fully on God by avoiding distraction. One form of abstinence is solitude; this is where the ascetic and the contemplative meet: they are both usually practiced in solitude, although this is not essential. Obviously, any form of fasting (doing without or abstaining from something) fits well with the ascetic temperament. Other activities listed in the book include: night watch, silence, obedience or submission, work, retreats, a simple lifestyle, and the endurance of hardship. There are times that we all need a touch of the ascetic in all our lives. How important it is for us to take time out for solitude in the midst of the crazy, busy lives we lead.

#### Activist:

Activists are energized by confronting evil or injustice. It is in pursuing a cause that they experience connectedness with God. These are the warriors who thrive in battle and the evangelists who love to proclaim. They are more likely to enjoy praying when walking about or in a public procession or vigil than in the seclusion of their inner room.

This sounds like the classic YWAM leader doesn't it? I know I have some of this!! If you are an activist, you will probably need some of the other pathways and spiritual disciplines to keep your activism healthily connected to the True Source. You will also need others to keep you grounded. But don't let them put you in a box that does not fit. Your best way up is to mount your horse and ride out for justice or truth.

#### Caregiver:

The pathway of the caregiver (servant, helper) is first of all outward bound, not upward. Still, it is easy to recognize the spiritual pathway to God in this pathway. Serving is about "loving God by loving others". At the same time, in caring and serving we identify with God and become his hands and feet in this world, which easily leads to real closeness between him and us. And last but certainly not least, we meet Jesus in the person we are serving. Even though all of us are called to this in some ways, there are some of us who live this as their natural passion and pathway into God's presence. They feel most alive when doing something for someone else – especially if this is a person in need or unable to help themselves. Understanding this pathway can set some free to worship in a whole new way.

#### Enthusiast:

This is the pathway for those of us who thrive on worship and celebration. Different from the ascetic and contemplative, it usually involves community, although one can of course worship in solitude as well. The enthusiast is also attracted to the miraculous, charismatic, supernatural, and to challenges or acts of faith. Again this would be a regular corporate form of worship for YWAMers. It's fun, faith building and energising. It is also a classic form of worship utilised by the streams of churches that are non-conformist. As an enthusiast myself, I do well in exploring new ways of worshipping and relating with the Lord.

www.garythomas.com/books/sacred-pathways/

#### Contemplative:

In Sacred Pathways, this chapter is subtitled "Loving God through Adoration". It is about delighting in God and spending time in his presence for its (his) own sake: "... contemplatives simply want to bath in the ocean of love God has for his children, while the rest of us seem sadly content to experience that love drop by drop" (p. 193). Contemplation sounds like a form of thinking, but it is not intellectual thought, and includes a wide array of prayer forms, too. Simply put, it means to consider God and 'look' at him. The language of the contemplative is the language of love, relationship, and intimacy.

#### Intellectual:

It is difficult for some enthusiasts and contemplatives to understand how powerfully some of us can be drawn to the Lord through a stimulated mind. When intellectuals' minds are awakened, when they understand something new about God or his ways with his children, then their adoration is unleashed. The intellectual pathway leads to the worship of God through study and learning. Gary Thomas lists a number of theological disciplines (such as church history, biblical studies, systematic theology), but other fields of science and scholarship could also be included. It is reminiscent of Gordon Fee's passionate claim in his book 'Listening to the Spirit in the Text' that "the proper aim of all true theology is doxology" (that is,

The last word: Having read through the summary of the 9 pathways, identify the ones you most relate to. There are often two or three that we feel comfortable with and tend to practice. Then ask the Lord if there are some new expressions that you could add into your life through the exploration of other pathways.

giving glory, doxos, to God, or in other words: worship).

# When is the last 3 times **you** heard God? Which PATHWAY did He choose?

1	GOD SAID TO ME:
PAT	THWAY:
2	GOD SAID TO ME:
PAT	THWAY:
3	GOD SAID TO ME:

PATHWAY:

# FUN EXERCISES TO HELP YOU HEAR GOD

#### The Potter and The Clay

Jeremiah 18

The Lord gave another message to Jeremiah. He said, 2 "Go down to the potter's shop, and I will speak to you there." 3 So I did as he told me and found the potter working at his wheel. 4 But the jar he was making did not turn out as he had hoped, so he crushed it into a lump of clay again and started over.

5 Then the Lord gave me this message: 6 "O Israel, can I not do to you as this potter has done to his clay? As the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand.



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#### As you form your clay, ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you

Write here what you sensed He said once you are done.

## LECTIO DIVINA

#### AN EXERCISES THAT COULD BECOME A LIFE STYLE

#### **CHOOSE ONE OF THESE SCRIPTURES**

Genesis 16:6-15: At the Well of the Living One who Sees Me (The Lord Appears to Hagar when she's Crying)

Exodus 3:1-4: Turn Aside to See the Burning Bush (Learn from Moses how to discern God's leading) \*

1 Samuel 30:1-6: Help for Discouraged Leaders (David finds strength in the Lord when his men turn on him at Ziklag) \*

2 Kings 6:8-17: See the Lord's Chariots of Fire Protecting You (Elijah prays for his servant's eyes to be opened)

Psalm 46: God is Our Refuge ("Be still and know that I am God")

Psalm 63: Longing for God ("O God... earnestly I seek you, my soul thirsts for you in a dry and weary land")

Luke 6:12-23: Spiritual Leaders Listen to God (Jesus spends the night in prayer and then chooses his Apostles)

Luke 4:38-46: People Press in On Jesus — He Knows When to Say Yes and When to Say No

Isaiah 30:15-21: Unhurried Grace ("In repentance and rest is your salvation; In quietness and trust is your strength.")

Isaiah 43:14-19: The Lord is Doing a New Thing! (Especially good at the beginning of a New Year or with a group that's needing a fresh start.)

Matthew 3:13-17 (and parallel passages in the other Gospels): Baptized in Christ (In Christ the heavens are opened to us as they were to Jesus at his baptism: "You are my beloved child and in you I am well pleased." And the Spirit remains on us.)

Matthew 8:5-13: Just Say the Word (Jesus heals the Roman soldier's servant in response to his great faith)

Matthew 11:25-30: Step into Jesus' Easy Yoke (Learn to live and work in Jesus' unforced rhythms of grace)

Matthew 17:1-13: The Transfiguration of Jesus in a Small Group

Mark 4:35-41: Peace! Be still. (Jesus calms the storm with a word!)

Mark 6:30-44: The Interrupted Retreat ("Come away" with Jesus... Share the Bread of Life.)

Mark 16:1-8: The Risen Christ Goes Ahead of You\*

Luke 1:26-38: Let it Be to Me According to Your Word (The virgin birth — especially good for Advent)

#### Step 1

Read through the scripture passage given out loud Your passage is:

#### Step 2

Circle or underline what is standing out for you personally What stood out for me was:

#### Step 3

Read it slowly again

#### Step 4

Reflect on what this means

For me it means:

#### Step 5

What images does this bring to your mind

The image of

#### Step 6

What feelings comes to your mind

I am feeling (good, sad, mad, glad etc)

#### Step 7

What memory comes to your mind

I am reminded of

#### Step 8

Dialogue with this scripture

#### Step 9

Respond to God's invitation. What is God calling you to: Joy, Expectation, Sorrow, Confession

He is calling me to:

#### Step 10

Write a prayer to God

Dear God

## HEARING GOD IN NATURE

#### **PSALM 19:1-7**

- 1 The heavens **proclaim** the glory of God. The skies **display** his craftsmanship.
  - 2 Day after day they continue to **speak**; night after night they **make him known.**
  - 3 **They speak** without a sound or word; **their voice** is never heard.
- 4 Yet **their message** has gone throughout the earth, and **their words** to all the world.

  God has made a home in the heavens for the sun.
- 5 It bursts forth like a radiant bridegroom after his wedding. It rejoices like a great athlete eager to run the race.
  - 6 The sun rises at one end of the heavens and follows its course to the other end.

    Nothing can hide from its heat.
  - 7 The **instructions** of the Lord are perfect, reviving the soul.

    The **decrees** of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

#### **APPLICATION**

#### Find a quiet spot outside

Reflect on nature and what you are looking at. Write a letter to yourself from God in the first person. It will feel strange in the beginning, but you will soon see how amazing this is.

#### Don't stop writing to soon!

MY CHILD, today I want to tell you that...

## **SEE** WHAT HE SAYS

#### **HABBAKKUK 2**

I will climb up to my watchtower and stand at my guardpost.

There I will wait to see what the Lord says and how he will answer my complaint.

2 Then the Lord said to me,

"Write my answer plainly on tablets, so that a runner can carry the correct message to others.

3 This **vision** is for a future time. It describes the end, and it will be fulfilled. If it seems slow in coming, wait patiently, for it will surely take place. It will not be delayed.

#### **APPLICATION**

*Have someone read this story* while your eyes are closed. Imagine the story as you listen to it. Have a pen ready, to immediatly write an answer at the very end.

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Imagine you are on a planet that is not earth. There are also many inhabitants. They have one King. The King had a problem, and no one on this planet, so far away from earth, could fix this problem. He sent out his men to find a person who could do this unique job but no one was to be found.

One day the King called the entire planet together for a meeting. He had a special announcement to make. When everyone stood before the King, he said: "I found the person to do the job" Suddenly all the people made a way for this person to walk to the front, in the sight of all... and that on a lovely red carpet.

Everyone looked at YOU! You were the one to do this special job and you had all the resouces of the King to your disposal. END

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Take you pen and write an ending to the story. Include what this job is.

There is NO RIGHT OR WRONG. Write as much as that comes to your mind



Listen to a song and ask God what He wants to say to you through it

Application:

My Dearest





# DRAW what you are seeing

Keep it simple and child like

NAME OF THIS DRAWING\_



## JOURNAL

Tell God about your day. Spill your heart before Him in deep honesty. The deeper you go with Him, the deeper He will minister to you! After you told him whats on your heart... write what He answers you in Faith!

My Dearest

## **IMAGINATION**

#### "Manifesting your spirit" by Graham Cooke P11

"NB: Read this activation through twice before you do it. Do it with all the strength and passion you can generate. I invite you to come to the front of the room and line up, shoulder to shoulder, in rows, as an army in formation stands. I ask you to close your eyes and imagine you are on a battlefield, and now... **imagine**:



Imagine that you are on a battlefield. Your army is small, especially in the face of the massive force that opposes you. You're outnumbered. You're outgunned. They're bigger then you in both number and physical size. A thought flashes across your mind: your going to die. With everything stacked against you, you realize your only hope of survival is to run away.

But you are a warrior:

#### Retreat is not an option.

In your heart, you decide you will fight as best you can. If you're going down, your taking as many of them down with you as possible. You feel your face turn to flint as you prepare yourself. The resolve inside you turns your blood cold. You push any fear out of your body: you don't need it; you dont want it.

The butterflies in your stomach are now frozen in the concrete of your resolve. You turn your gaze onto the tallest, meanestlooking enemy you can see.

That's the one your going to kill first.

Now look eighteen inches above that enemy soldier. Do you see who is there? It is Jesus, grinning and waving at you. When you make eye contact with Him, He winks. The enemy has no clue that He is there - it is a private joke between Him and you. The Lord flips you a thumbs-up.

"He is really going to enjoy this," you think to yourself. In your spirit, your resolve is joined by boldness and faith.

Everything is different now because the King is here.

This is going to be a good fight,
because you're going to overcome all odds and win. In your
inner being, with your mouth closed, look at Jesus and shout.

Show it on your face, wave your hands if you wish,
but stay quiet.

Inside of you, shout His name.

Praise Him!

Every fiber of your being is shouting to Him.

Continue to praise and rejoice until
every part of you is shouting to Him. Continue to praise and
rejoice until every part of you is shouting and cheering on the
inside. Let every part of your own caution, negativity, and fear
dissolve in the face of His Maiesty!

Now look again at the enemy army. See how confused they look? Their weak, timid, outnumbered enemy has been infused with confidence. They're now the ones who are worried.

Whatare you up to?

When you looked at Jesus' face, you proclaimed His goodness. Now, looking at the enemy, I want you to declare what Jesus will do to them. They're toast. It's over. The name of Jesus will be victorious no matter what they try.

The King is here!

Begin shouting towards the enemy using your inner voice. (Continue to keep your mouth closed) Shout out his demise. He is powerless! Jesus has defeated him! The battle is the Lord's; the victory is ours! The Cross has overthrown his power to rule. He is conquered enemy. The Lord has vanqueshed him. We are overcomers by the Blood and the Word of our testimony. Shout! Shout! Shout out his defeat, until every part of you is on fire with passion for the battle. you cannot lose because Jesus has already conquered.

Now, look at the enemy! See the fear in their eyes. See their confusion, their questioning when they look at you.

They are staring in defeat.

How does that feel to you?		
What happened in the inside of you?		
Something has changed? What is it?		
What woke up inside of you?		

## MEDITATING ON SCRIPTURE

Read through the scripture passage of the sower Visualise yourself as the sower



#### LUKE 8

4 While a large crowd was gathering and people were coming to Jesus from town after town, he told this parable:

5 "A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path; it was trampled on, and the birds ate it up.

6 Some fell on rocky ground, and when it came up, the plants withered because they had no moisture.

7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up with it and choked the plants.

8 Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown.

"When he said this, he called out, "Whoever has ears let him hear

See yourself with the seed - how does your picture look like?
What are you wearing
How does your surroundings look like
What is happening in your vision
What feeling/s comes to your mind
Where is Jesus?
What is He doing or saying? What are you talking about with Jesus?

#### **A short note on** PROPHESY

The biblical definition

1 Corinthians 14:3-4

"But one who prophesies speaks to men for edification and exhortation and comfort.

he who prophesies edifies the church."

## **WARNING**

We strongly encourage you **not** to prophesy

## DATES! MATES! & BABIES!

A lot of wounding has happened in this area of "prophesying" even from seasoned "prophets"

If you feel you know - don't share it 
This is wisdom when it comes to these very delicate matters. Stay humble when God reveal things to you especially when emotionally involved.

You can pray in the secret place for God's will to be done, leave the rest to him.

### PROPHETIC INTERCESSION IS:

the ability to receive an immediate prayer requist from **God** and pray about it in a divinely anointed utterance

#### OUR PRACTICAL IN CLASS IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT:



What did you struggle with most during this excersise?

Circle: How do you feel: Edified | Exorted | Comforted Do you feel anything else?

## LOOKING BACK

Look at your notes the first day, when you had to answer "How do you feel when you hear someone say "HEAR GOD" Did this teaching change something for you?

What changed?

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