

CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

How To Hear The Voice Of God

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“Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.”

Matt. 11:15

Text: Mark 4:2-20

I. BENEFITS OF KNOWING GOD’S VOICE

Direction	Ps. 119:05	Comfort	Ps.119:50
Confidence	Jer. 33:3	Peace	Ps. 85:8
Companionship	Ex. 33:11	Power/Strength	Josh 1:6,7,9
Instruction	2 Tim. 3:16	Purpose	Prov. 19:20,21
Discernment/Wisdom	Prov. 2:1-7	Joy	John 15:11
		Hope	Gen. 17:1-3, 9, 15, 19

“My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.”

John 10:27

Notable Quotes

- “We don’t just draft ability, we draft great attitudes. If you don’t have a good attitude we don’t want you, no matter how skilled you are. We can change skill levels through training. We can’t change an attitude.”
- Herb Kelleher
Pres. Southwest Airlines
- “Your IQ gets you hired, but EQ gets you promoted.”
- Time magazine

“**The Lord was not** in the wind, nor in the earthquake... nor in the fire; and after the fire a still small voice.”

1 Ki. 19:11,12

II. 4 TYPES OF LISTENERS

1. _____ Unresponsive _____ Listener v. 15
- Fear What God may say or require. How will I have to change
- Pride I don’t need God. I’ve got to where I am on my own.
- Bitterness Past experience of hard times, hurt or disappointment. I’m not going to let anyone hurt me again.
2. _____ **Surface** _____ Listener v.16
3. _____ **Half-Hearted** _____ Listener v. 18,19
4. _____ **Active** _____ Listener v. 20

III. 4 AIDS IN HEARING GOD SPEAK

1. _____ Cultivate _____ an open heart
“Break up the fallow ground for it is time to seek the Lord...” Hos. 10:12
2. _____ **Allocate** _____ time to listen
“... they received the word with great eagerness... examining daily...” Acts 17:11
3. _____ **Eliminate** _____ distractions
“Be still, and know that I am God.” Ps. 46:10
4. _____ Cooperate _____ with what God says
“But prove yourselves doers of the word and not merely hearers.” Jas. 1:22,23

The mark of Jesus’ sheep is not perfection - it’s

recognition

and

response