

HEARING GOD

Recognizing God's Voice Message 4

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► Outline

For God speaks again and again, though people do not recognize it.

Job 33:14 (NLT)

A. Introduction

(1 Kings 19:11-13)

B. Does the message I received...

1. Communicate like _____?

(Matthew 16:23; John 10:4; 1 John 2:16-17; 4:16)

2. Conflict with the _____?

(John 16:13; 17:17; 1 Corinthians 2:11-12;
2 Timothy 3:15-17)

3. Complement my _____?

(Psalm 139:13-16; Jeremiah 1:4-5; Romans 12:4-8;
Ephesians 2:10)

4. Convey _____?

(Proverbs 2:6-7; Matthew 7:24-25; Ephesians 5:15-17;
James 1:5)

5. Confirmed by _____?

(Psalm 37:30; 1 Corinthians 12:7-8;
1 Thessalonians 2:13; Hebrews 10:24-25)

Answers: 1. God 2. Bible 3. SHAPE 4. wisdom 5. godly people

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit brookwoodchurch.org/adults.

Conversation Starter

Who's had the most significant influence on your life? What did the person do that was so influential?

Prayer

Spend a few minutes in quiet with God. Invite Him into this time of study and reflection. Ask Him to show you what He wants you to know from each of these passages.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read 1 John 2:15-17.

1. What does John say are from this world?
2. How do these verses help you as you seek to discern God's voice?
3. How has pride affected your life? How have you overcome these struggles and moved into a closer relationship with God?

Read 2 Timothy 3:14-17.

4. What truth does Paul tell Timothy about what the Scriptures have imparted to him?
5. How does the fact that the Bible is inspired by God help you trust Him more?
6. The Bible helps guide us in our lives. How do you use the Scriptures as you seek God's will in your life?

Read Psalm 139.

7. What truths about God does David give in this psalm?
8. How does the knowledge that God knows you intimately help you stay close to Him?

9. God calls His creation of man *very good* in Genesis 1. David points out in Psalm 139 that God knew us before we were born. How can you use these truths to help you discern God's voice?

Read James 1:5-8 and 3:13-18.

10. Who does James say to ask for wisdom, and what caution does he give to those asking?
11. What does James say is an outcome of receiving wisdom from God?
12. How is your life different because of God's wisdom? Where in your life do you need to trust God more?

Spiritual Practice

A spiritual practice is something we can do to help us live in and enjoy God's grace. Our hope is that these would become a regular part of your life, so that walking and talking with God is the most natural thing you do.

One way to show God's love to others is to pray for them. Each day this week, reach out to at least one person and ask them how you can pray for them. Spend time with God praying for them and their needs.

Memory Verse

The LORD says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you."

Psalm 32:8 (NLT)

Daily Reading

- Day 1: Matthew 16:23 Day 4: Proverbs 2:6-7
Day 2: 1 Corinthians 2:11-12 Day 5: Hebrews 10:24-25
Day 3: Romans 12:4-8

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, July 9, we'll conclude our series *Hearing God*. To prepare, read **Exodus 3:1-10**.



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