



Hearing God

Message: Hearing God, Part 1
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Some people say...

- ...God speaks to his people *only* through the Bible.
- ...God *only* speaks to special people called to special tasks.
- ...God *used* to speak that way, but not anymore.

Assumptions

- God created us not only to believe and obey Him, but to experience intimacy with Him.
- Intimacy always involves two-way communication.

Implications

- A conversational walk with God is available and normal.
- God already speaks to us more than we know.
- It's worth the effort to listen better.

"Being open and receptive to the leadings of the Holy Spirit is a non-optional part of transformation..."

—John Ortberg

Listening to God...

- ...is something we learn through time and practice.
- ...is about allowing God to direct our thoughts.
- ...is a skill that requires:

- quietness
- attentiveness
- surrender

"As long as we are going to pray to the God who spoke the creation into being, who communicated to prophets and priests and kings—and ordinary people, who wrote a thousand-page book we know as the Bible—and who refers to his Son as 'the Word made flesh,' then surely we can accept the possibility that sometimes he may want to get in a word or two with us."

—John Ortberg

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