

HEARING GOD

The Importance of Hearing God Message 3

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2. Provides _____.
(Psalm 32:8; Proverbs 3:5-6; Isaiah 30:21;
Galatians 5:25)

► Outline

My heart has heard You say, "Come and talk with Me." ...

Psalm 27:8 (NLT)

A. Introduction

3. Produces _____.
(John 8:43,47; Romans 12:2; Ephesians 1:16-18;
Colossians 1:9-10)

B. Hearing from God...

1. Personalizes my _____.
(Psalm 27:8; John 5:39-40; 8:47; 10:27; Galatians 4:6-7)

Answers: 1. faith 2. direction 3. growth

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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

Describe a time you had to assemble something. How did you use the instructions?

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 Hebrews 11.

1. What resulted from each of these people listening to God's direction?
2. How would their lives and circumstances have been different if they hadn't listened to God? How has your life been changed by either following God or ignoring Him?
3. How do these examples help you see the importance of listening to God?
4. Describe someone who has been an example of faith to you. How did their life impact yours?

Read Acts 8:26-38.

5. Philip had been preaching in Samaria. Where did the angel tell him to go next?
6. The Holy Spirit gave Philip the next step only after he had completed the first. Share an experience when you felt led by God, even though the entire journey was uncertain. How did it feel to navigate a path without knowing all the details?
7. What happened after Philip listened to the Spirit? This week listen for the Holy Spirit's promptings to share the Good News of Jesus with others.

Read 2 Timothy 2:1-13.

8. What instructions does Paul give Timothy in verses 2-3? What assurance does he give in verse 7?
9. In verses 11-13, Paul talks about what will happen as we grow in our faith and proclaim the Good News. How do you feel as you read these?

Read Colossians 3:1-17.

10. What are the things that Paul says to cast off and what should be put on to replace them?
11. This passage calls for us to live differently. How have you grown in your faith, and how has this changed how you live?

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 grow in your faith is to journal as you study. This week, write out verses that are impactful to you and note why they are. In the coming weeks, reflect on these verses and see how God has moved in your life.

Memory Verse

Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.

Galatians 5:25 (NLT)

Daily Reading

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| Day 1: Galatians 4:6-7 | Day 4: Ephesians 1:16-18 |
| Day 2: Isaiah 30:21 | Day 5: Proverbs 3:5-6 |
| Day 3: Colossians 1:9-10 | |

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, July 2, we'll continue our series *Hearing God*. To prepare, read **John 10:1-16**.

