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OUR MOTIVE TO HEAR GOD IS TO  
RECEIVE DIRECTION OR INSTRUCTION  
HIS MOTIVE IS TO GET TO KNOW US AND  
FOR US TO KNOW HIM.

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**John 15:15 (NLT)** I no longer call you slaves,  
because a master doesn't confide in his  
slaves. Now you are my friends, since I have  
told you everything the Father told me.

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## 1. GOD DOES NOT SPEAK TO ROBOTS

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**Genesis 18:17 - 33 (NKJV)** And the LORD said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am doing, <sup>18</sup>since Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? <sup>19</sup>For I have known him, in order that he may command his children and his household after him, that they keep the way of the LORD, to do righteousness and justice, that the LORD may bring to Abraham what He has spoken to him."

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**Genesis 18:17 - 33 (NKJV)** <sup>20</sup>And the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grave, <sup>21</sup>I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry against it that has come to Me; and if not, I will know." <sup>22</sup>Then the men turned away from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>And Abraham came near and said, "Would You also destroy the righteous with the wicked?"

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**Genesis 18:17 - 33 (NKJV)** <sup>24</sup>Suppose there were fifty righteous within the city; would You also destroy the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous that were in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from You to do such a thing as this, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous should be as the wicked; far be it from You! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do, right?" <sup>26</sup>So the LORD said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes." <sup>27</sup>Then Abraham answered and said, "Indeed now, I who am but dust and ashes have taken it upon myself to speak to the Lord."

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**Genesis 18:17 - 33 (NKJV)** <sup>28</sup>Suppose there were five less than the fifty righteous; would You destroy all of the city for lack of five?" So, He said, "If I find there forty-five, I will not destroy it." <sup>29</sup>And he spoke to Him yet again and said, "Suppose there should be forty found there?" So, He said, "I will not do it for the sake of forty." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Suppose thirty should be found there?" So, He said, "I will not do it if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>And he said, "Indeed now, I have taken it upon myself to speak to the Lord: Suppose twenty should be found there?" So, He said, "I will not destroy it for the sake of twenty." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak but once more: Suppose ten should be found there?" And He said, "I will not destroy it for the sake of ten." <sup>33</sup>So the LORD went His way as soon as He had finished speaking with Abraham; and Abraham returned to his place.

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1. GOD DOES NOT SPEAK TO ROBOTS
2. GOD SPEAKS TO PEOPLE

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**John 16:12 - 13 (NKJV)** “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.



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**Judges 6:17 (NKJV)** ...show me a sign  
that it is You who talk with me.



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1. GOD DOES NOT SPEAK TO ROBOTS
2. GOD SPEAKS TO PEOPLE
3. GOD SPEAKS TO HIS FRIENDS

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**Exodus 33:11 (NKJV)** So the Lord spoke to Moses' face to face, as a man speaks to his friend.

**James 2:23 (NKJV)** And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." And he was called the friend of God.

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**Zechariah 13:6 (NKJV)** And *one* will say to him, 'What are these wounds between your arms?' Then he will answer, 'Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.'

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**Matthew 26:48 - 50 (NKJV)** Now His betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him." <sup>49</sup>Immediately he went up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed Him. <sup>50</sup>But Jesus said to him, "Friend, why have you come?" Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and took Him.

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**John 15:13 (NKJV)** Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.

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IF YOU WANT TO HEAR THE VOICE OF GOD,  
BECOME A FRIEND OF GOD. THE PEOPLE  
THAT YOU KNOW THAT HEAR THE VOICE OF  
GOD THE BEST ARE THE PEOPLE THAT  
KNOW GOD THE BEST.

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I TREASURE HIS PRESENCE MORE  
THAN HIS PRESENTS