

Key Scriptures:

Colossians 3:8

Jeremiah 29:13

Philippians 4:8-9

John 13:17

James 2:26

Micah 6:6-8

Romans 12:1-2

Proverbs 2:1-5

John 10:27

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*Do you ever get frustrated when you don't hear God? What exactly are you listening for? How are you listening? How are you seeking God? What has gotten in the way? Today we talk about what it truly means to listen to God, now that we have discussed being quiet before Him (last week). This will be critical before we can discuss the other two parts of prayer (our words and His answer).*

**Important Steps for Listening to God:**

1. **R** \_\_\_\_\_: Eliminate all \_\_\_\_\_ and focus on \_\_\_\_\_.

**Colossians 3:8 NIV**

*But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.*

2. **R** \_\_\_\_\_: Do what you \_\_\_\_\_ while you \_\_\_\_\_ for what you \_\_\_\_\_.



**John 13:17 NIV**

*Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.*

3. **R** \_\_\_\_\_: Do what you do with the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

**James 1:27 NIV**

*Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.*

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**CHALLENGE:** Spend time this week practicing the components we've discussed so far. Find a **quiet** place, remove all distractions, focus only on God, and simply listen. Use scripture/devotions if desired.