

Hearing the Voice of God

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Scripture: 1 Samuel 3:1-21; Romans 8:14

SUMMARY

Alexa Moghina opens 1 Samuel 3 to show that God still speaks—often when His word seems rare—and that learning to say, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening,” is how disciples recognize His voice.

OVERVIEW

After Dave Diehl shares how God pursues relationship in ordinary moments, Alexa Moghina (preaching before leaving for seminary) walks through young Samuel’s night in the temple. The word of the Lord was rare; Samuel hears his name, mistakes it for Eli, and only with a mentor’s help learns to respond to God.

She asks whether God’s voice is truly rare today—or whether we have stopped listening. Knowing the Lord precedes recognizing His voice; community helps us discern. When Samuel finally answers, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening,” God entrusts him with a hard word, and none of Samuel’s words fall to the ground.

KEY POINTS

- God desires relationship and still speaks to His people
- Seasons when “the word of the Lord is rare” may reveal our listening more than His silence
- We often misattribute God’s call until someone helps us discern
- Knowing the Lord personally is what trains us to recognize His voice
- The posture of a servant is: “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening”
- God may entrust hard, honest words to those who will hear and obey
- Led by the Spirit (Romans 8:14), disciples keep practicing attentive obedience

MEMORABLE LINES

“Was the word of the Lord really rare—or were they just not listening for it?”

“Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.”

"If he hasn't recognized the Lord's voice, it makes sense—because he doesn't know him yet."

TAKEAWAY

Set aside quiet space this week and pray Samuel's prayer. Ask a trusted believer to help you discern what you hear, then obey the next clear step.

SOURCE

- YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4n7Wp6rOT90> (captions; official channel live titled Sunday Service 09:30 AM)
- Website: <https://www.baypointchurch.com/media/5h8twv7/hearing-the-voice-of-god>
- Note: Batch/meta YouTube id fjpzd3cJ-OY is a different later sermon; matched by upload date to 4n7Wp6rOT90