



Discerning the Voice of God

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Genesis 3:8

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1. Voice of the _____
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How does God Speak to us....

1. Through His _____

2 Timothy 3:16

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¹² For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

2. Through _____

Romans 8:26-27

²⁶ In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.

²⁷ And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.

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Romans 8:14

¹⁴ because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

The Holy Spirit can speak _____ us

Mark 13:11

¹¹ **Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.**

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