

How To Hear God For Others?

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OPENING PRAYER

Ask God to open your hearts and minds to understand more about the Holy Spirit and His work in our lives.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 10:27
1 Corinthians 12:7-8
Acts 6:10
John 1:48
Acts 9
Isaiah 7:14
1 Corinthians 14:3
1 Thessalonians 5:19, 21
Revelation 19:10
Galatians 5:22-23
Romans 12:6

KEY TAKE AWAYS

1. God still speaks to His people today through various means, primarily through the Bible.
2. Spiritual gifts like words of wisdom, knowledge, and prophecy are for all believers, not just a select few.
3. These gifts should be used to strengthen, encourage, and comfort others, always pointing back to Jesus.
4. We must test prophetic words against Scripture and seek wise counsel before acting on them.
5. Sharing prophetic words should be done humbly, simply, and without manipulation.

QUESTIONS

1. What has been your experience with hearing God's voice or receiving prophetic words? How has it impacted your faith?
2. The speaker emphasizes that we hear God speak most through the Bible. How can we become more attentive to God's voice as we read Scripture?
3. Discuss the three types of prophetic gifts mentioned (wisdom, knowledge, prophecy). Have you ever experienced or witnessed any of these in action?
4. How can we balance being open to God's supernatural guidance while also remaining cautious and discerning?
5. The sermon stresses the importance of testing prophetic words. What are some practical ways we can apply the "tests" mentioned (biblical alignment, exalting Jesus, bearing good fruit)?
6. How might the fear of "being weird" hold us back from exercising spiritual gifts? How can we overcome this fear?
7. The speaker emphasizes humility when sharing prophetic words. Why is this so important, and what are some ways we can cultivate humility in this area?
8. How can exercising these gifts strengthen our church community? What potential pitfalls should we be aware of?

PRACTICE

1. Daily Prayer Challenge: Each day this week, pray the simple prayer suggested in the sermon: "Lord, who do you want me to encourage today?" Be attentive to any promptings you receive.
2. Bible Study: Choose a passage from the Bible and spend time meditating on it, asking God to speak to you through His Word. Journal any insights or encouragements you receive.
3. Humility Practice: If you feel led to share an encouraging word with someone, practice using humble language like "I feel God might be saying..." instead of definitive statements.
4. Accountability: Partner with another group member to share and discuss any experiences you have with hearing from God or exercising spiritual gifts throughout the week.
5. Group Experiment: As a group, spend some time in prayer, asking God to speak. Share any thoughts, scriptures, or impressions you receive, practicing the guidelines for sharing outlined in the sermon.
6. Personal Reflection: Consider any past experiences with prophetic words or spiritual gifts. How did you test them? What was the outcome? What did you learn from the experience?
7. Serve Others: Look for opportunities to use words of encouragement or wisdom to build

others up in your daily interactions this week.

CLOSING PRAYER

Thank God for His desire to want to speak through us. Ask Him to speak to you and give you the boldness to share