



Shema: HEART Work

HEARING GOD. GIVING ACCESS. EXPERIENCING TRANSFORMATION.



**DEUTERONOMY
6:4-5**

“Shema Yisrael: Hear, O Israel:
The LORD our God,
the LORD is one.”



**PSALM
95:7-8**

“Today, if you hear His voice,
do not harden your hearts.”



**EZEKIEL
36:26-27**

“I will give you a new heart...
I will put My Spirit within you
and cause you to walk in
My statutes.”



**1 KINGS
3:9**

“Give therefore Your servant
a hearing heart...”

A NEW HEART. A NEW SPIRIT. A NEW LIFE. *Let Him In.*

Part 2: OPEN — The Heart That Hears

Primary Text

- **EZEKIEL 36:26–27**
- **A NEW HEART OF FLESH**
- **THE SPIRIT WITHIN**

Series Theme

Hear. Open. Transform.

- **HEAR** — God speaks
- **OPEN** — the heart receives
- **TRANSFORM** — the Spirit renews

Part 1 → Part 2

Part 1: HEAR — God Speaks

- **Shema — Hear, Receive, Respond**
- **God's Voice Is Still Speaking**
- **Hard Hearts Struggle To Hear**

Part 2: OPEN — The Heart That Hears

Why some hearts receive and change

- **The condition of the heart matters**
- **Stone versus flesh**
- **Becoming good ground**

THE BIG QUESTION

WHY DO SOME CHANGE—AND OTHERS DON'T?



They hear the same Word, attend the same church, experience the same worship.

The Difference

Same Input:

**Same sermons, songs, and
Scripture**

Different Outcome:

✓ **The condition of the heart**

POWER POINT

The heart is the control center of the soul.

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The Heart — Lev / Levav

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UNDERSTAND

DESIRE

DECIDE

RESPOND

“I will give you a new heart...”

The heart is the center of will and spiritual responsiveness.

P O W E R P O I N T

The heart is the control center of the soul.

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Two Hearts — Stone vs. Flesh

Heart of Stone

✗ RESISTANT & DEFENSIVE

✗ CLOSED & NUMB

✗ HEARS WORDS ONLY

Heart of Flesh

Sensitive • Responsive
Teachable • Alive

P O W E R P O I N T

A heart of stone hears words. a heart of flesh receives truth.

JOHN 10:27

GOD'S SHEEP HEAR HIS VOICE

RELATIONSHIP

TRUST

INTIMACY

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MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE...

JESUS — JOHN 10:27

POWER POINT

The heart that belongs to the shepherd learns to recognize his voice.

FOUR SOILS, ONE SEED

1 THE PATH — HEARS BUT NEVER RECEIVES

2 ROCKY GROUND — RECEIVES BUT NO ROOT

3 THORNY GROUND — CHOKES THE WORD OUT

4 GOOD GROUND — HEARS, RECEIVES, BEARS FRUIT

5 THE SEED IS THE SAME. THE SOIL IS DIFFERENT.

POWER POINT

The Seed Is The Same. The Soil Is Different.

WHAT GOOD GROUND DOES

1 HEARS THE WORD

2 RECEIVES THE WORD

3 UNDERSTANDS THE WORD

4 PRODUCES FRUIT

5 30X • 60X • 100X

POWER POINT

The Harvest Is Determined By The Condition Of The Soil.

LUKE 24:32

HEARTS THAT BURN WHEN GOD SPEAKS

CONVICTION & FAITH

DESIRE & HOPE

TRANSFORMATION

“

DID NOT OUR HEARTS BURN WITHIN US...

LUKE 24:32

POWER POINT

A Hearing Heart Does Not Merely Learn. A Hearing Heart Burns.

MATTHEW 7:28-29

INFORMATION VS. AUTHORITY

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HE TAUGHT AS ONE HAVING AUTHORITY...

MATTHEW 7:28-29

INFORMATION

✗ INFORMS THE MIND

AUTHORITY

✓ TRANSFORMS THE LIFE

POWER POINT

God's Voice Carries The Power To Change What It Commands.

1 KINGS 3:9

GIVE YOUR SERVANT A HEARING HEART

SOLOMON DID NOT ASK FOR:

✗ WEALTH

✗ POWER

✗ SUCCESS

SOLOMON ASKED FOR:

A HEARING HEART

POWER POINT

Wisdom Begins With A Heart Willing To Hear.

CLOSING CHALLENGE — PSALM 95:7-8

“TODAY, IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE...”

? HAS MY HEART BECOME HARD?

? DOES MY HEART STILL BURN? AM I GOOD GROUND?

? AM I OPEN TO GOD’S VOICE TODAY?

SHEMA — HEAR. RECEIVE. RESPOND.

BECOME THE KIND OF HEART GOD CAN TRANSFORM.

NEXT WEEK

Part 3: TRANSFORM

This Week: OPEN

- WE HEARD THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE
- WE OPENED THE HEART TO RECEIVE
- WE BECAME GOOD GROUND

Next Week: TRANSFORM

The Renovation Process

- "I will put My Spirit within you..."
- "...and cause you to walk in My ways."

— Ezekiel 36:27