

WHY CAN'T I HEAR HIM?

WE'RE PRAYING WITH THE WRONG _____.

1 JOHN 5:14-15 ESV

And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.

JAMES 4:2-3 NIV

...You do not have, because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

***Prayer is the conversational part of the
most important love relationship of your life.***

WE'RE LISTENING TO THE WRONG _____.

JOHN 10:3-4, 27 ESV

...**The sheep hear his voice**, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for **they know his voice**...My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

1. THE BIBLE (Psalm 119:105, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, Hebrews 4:12)

2. THE BODY OF CHRIST (Colossians 3:16, Romans 12:4-5, 1 Corinthians 12:27)

PSALM 66:18 NIV

If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

3. THE HOLY SPIRIT (John 14:26, John 16:13, Psalm 46:10, Isaiah 30:19-21)

WE'RE NOT GIVING HIM THE _____ TO SPEAK.

JAMES 1:25 ESV

But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets **but a doer who acts**, he will be **blessed** in his doing.

Where am I **off**: Motive, Means, or Opportunity?

What does a **real change** in Motive, Means, or Opportunity look like in my life?

Resources:

Celebration of Discipline
by Richard Foster



The Practice of the Presence of God
by Brother Lawrence



*Jake's disclaimer: I don't agree with everything Dallas Willard and Havilah Cunningham believe about spiritual gifts, as they represent opposite ends of the spectrum and I tend to land somewhere in the middle. Nevertheless, both books are full of godly wisdom and are **well worth reading**.

Hearing God
by Dallas Willard



Created to Hear God
by Havilah Cunningham

