

Walk This Way - A Listening Love

Ephesians 5:1-2; Psalm 116:1-2; Mark 10:46-52; Luke 10:38-42

Imitation and Irony

Children _____ imitate their parents. It just happens _____ as they watch them live life.
As God's _____ through faith in Jesus Christ we are called to imitate HIM above all others.
The irony is that God chose as messenger for a lesson on listening, the one who does the most _____: ME!
But I promise you, God made sure I _____ the message!

The God Who Listens

In the Old Testament we see repeatedly that God hears our prayers.
This idea is all over the _____. (Psalm 18:6; 34:1-6, 17-19; 40:1; 55:16-17)
It's also elsewhere, like the _____ and the ministry of the prophet Elijah. (Ex. 3:7-10; 1 Kings 18:20-46)
Jesus spent a lot of time praying because he knew his Father was _____. (Luke 5:16; John 11:41-42)
Jesus lived and died to make sure God would listen to us despite our _____. (Matt 27:51)

Children Who Imitate Jesus Listen to...Their Father in Heaven

Jesus didn't just talk to God, he listened for his _____ and applied it. (Luke 6:12-13; John 12:49-50)
When was the last time you made an _____ to "withdraw to desolate places to pray"? (Luke 5:16)
When was the last time you sat at the _____ of Jesus? (Luke 10:38-42)
When is the last time you heard from God and put it into _____? (Matt 7:24; Luke 11:27-28)

Children Who Imitate Jesus Listen to...Other People

When was the last time you really listened to another _____?

This means you weren't thinking about:

Your _____

Your _____ list

Whether you _____ what they had to say

Can we listen beyond their words to the _____ in their heart?

How can the people around us _____ in our listening God if we won't listen?

What do you think God is trying to say to you today?

What are you going to DO about it?