

Increasing Your Hearing

2 Superchargers for Increasing Your Ability to Hear His Voice

- 1. It tunes your spirit.
 - Tuning fork
 - As we read & study God's Word, our spiritual ears learn to listen for the same tone.

Matthew 24:35

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words never pass away.

Hudson Taylor

"Do not have your concert first, and then tune your instrument afterwards. Begin the day with the Word of God, prayer, and get first of all into harmony with him."

2. It establishes you in foundational truths.

- We get grounded in the truth, and then, we aren't easily pulled into false doctrine & error.
- Scripture has higher authority than any revelation of any person, church, or denomination.

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 Gal. 1:8 – But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed.

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• 2 Tim. 3:13-16 – But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are

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 able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness

- 3. It defeats the devil.
 - Believers who aren't well-grounded in the Word of God may have trouble.

John Piper

"And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! His doom is sure; one little word has the supreme power to defeat him!

- It means praying in tongues.
- 1 Cor. 14:14 For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my mind is unproductive.

Romans 8:26

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 through wordless groans.

- verse 5 I would like every one of you to speak in tongues...
- verse 8 I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you.
- verse 39 Do not forbid speaking in tongues.

- verse 4 He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself.
- edify = to build up; to promote spiritual growth

Hebrews 5:14

But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

RECAP

- Being a student of the word, studying the word, being established in the word, increases the hearing of God's voice.
- The word establishes us in present truth and defeats the enemy which increases our hearing.
- Praying in the spirit increases the hearing of God's voice.

