

Hebrews 1:1–2 (NLT) — "Long ago God spoke many times and in many ways to our ancestors through the prophets. 2 And now in these final days, he has spoken to us through his Son. God promised everything to the Son as an inheritance, and through the Son he created the universe."

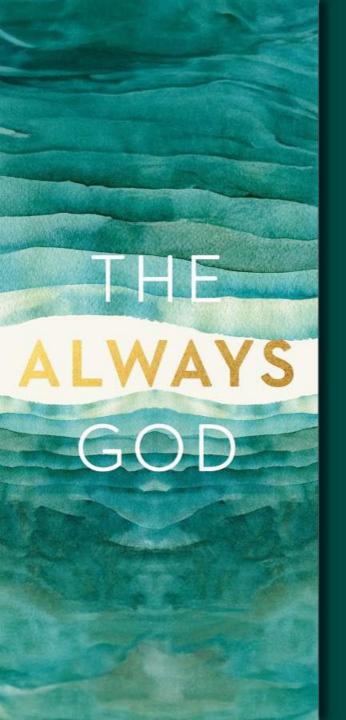
DOES GOD STILL SPEAKTONY

God is STILL SPEAKING today.

You can BE SURE He is speaking.

You can BE CERTAIN of WHAT He is saying.



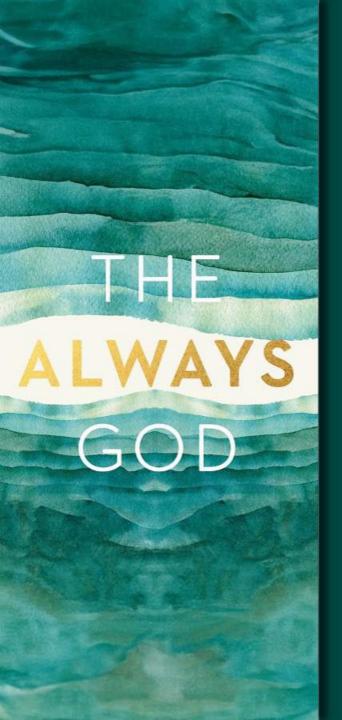


God speaks through:

Creation

Psalm 19:1–2 (NLT) — "The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. 2 Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known."

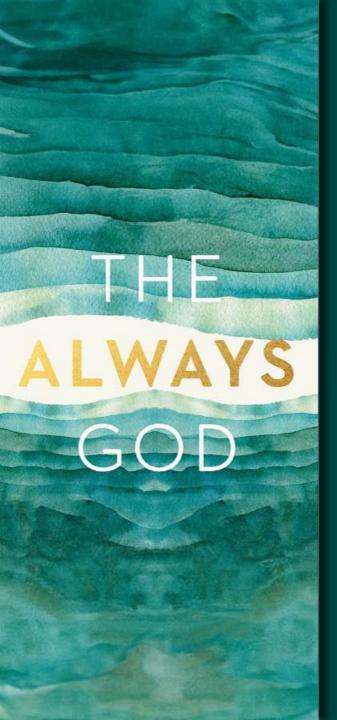
Romans 1:18–20 (NLT) — "But God shows his anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who suppress the truth by their wickedness. 19 They know the truth about God because he has made it obvious to them. 20 For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God."



God speaks through:

- Creation
- Conscience

Romans 2:14–15 (NLT) — "Even Gentiles, who do not have God's written law, show that they know his law when they instinctively obey it, even without having heard it. 15 They demonstrate that God's law is written in their hearts, for their own conscience and thoughts either accuse them or tell them they are doing right."



God speaks through:

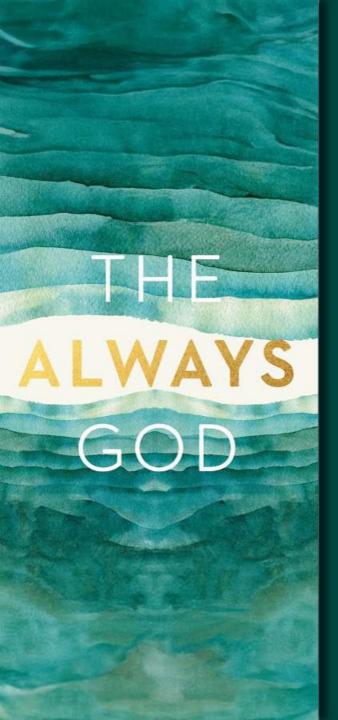
- Creation
- Conscience
- Circumstances

"God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world."

CS Lewis

THE ALWAYS GOD

"GENERAL REVELATION"



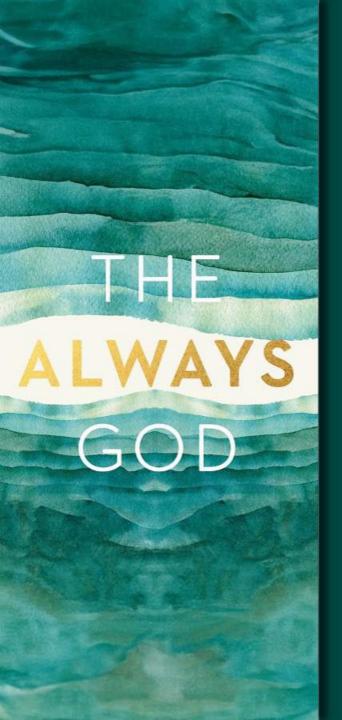
God speaks through:

- Creation
- Conscience
- Circumstances
- Christ

John 1:1 (NLT) — "In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God."

John 1:14 (NLT) — "So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son."





God speaks through:

- Creation
- Conscience
- Circumstances
- Christ
- Cannon of Scripture
 - "standard"; "measuring stick"

Isaiah 40:8 (NLT) — "The grass withers and the flowers fade, but the word of our God stands forever."

Matthew 24:35 (NLT) — "Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear."

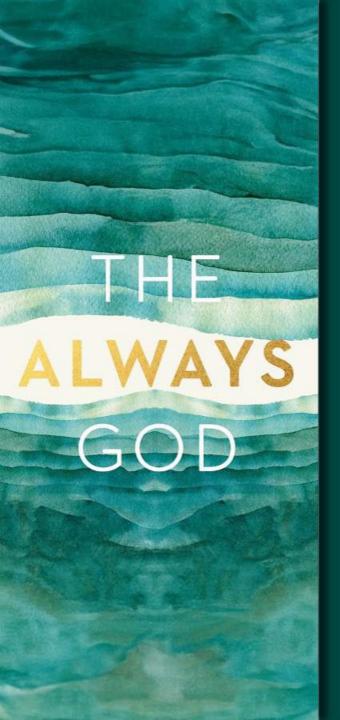
Hebrews 4:12 (NLT) — "For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires."

2 Timothy 3:16–17 (NLT) — "All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. 17 God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work."

2 Peter 1:20–21 (NLT) — "Above all, you must realize that no prophecy in Scripture ever came from the prophet's own understanding, 21 or from human initiative. No, those prophets were moved by the Holy Spirit, and they spoke from God."

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD



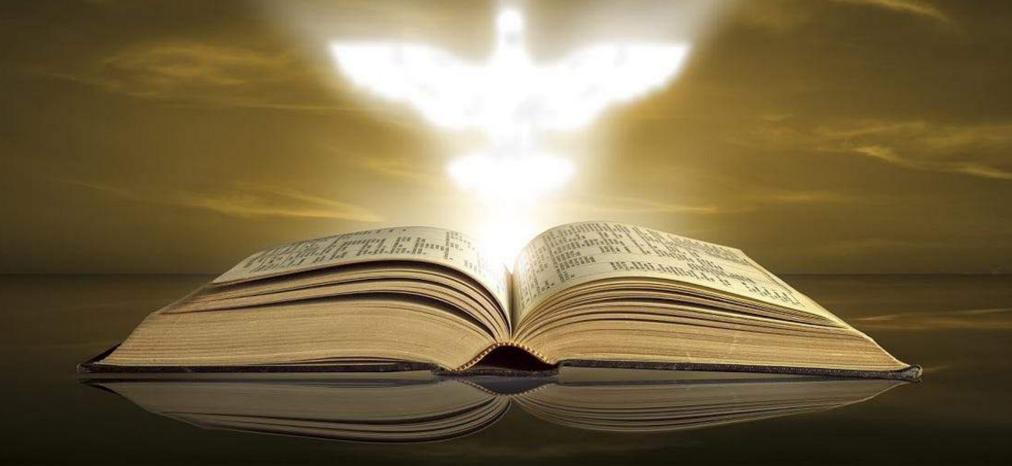


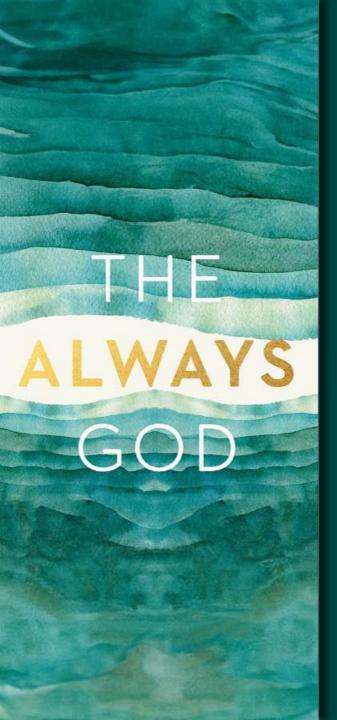
God speaks through:

- Creation
- Conscience
- Circumstances
- Christ
- Cannon of Scripture
- Counsel of Holy Spirit

John 16:13–14 (NLT) — "When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future. 14 He will bring me glory by telling you whatever he receives from me."

HOLY SPIRIT NEVER CONTRADICTS THE WORD





God speaks through:

- Creation
- Conscience
- Circumstances
- Christ
- Cannon of Scripture
- Counsel of Holy Spirit
- Church

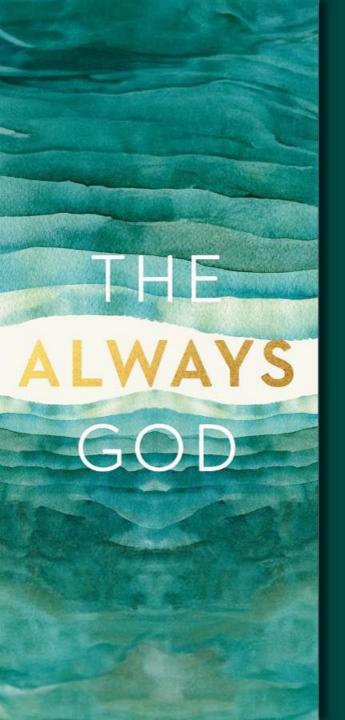
Romans 10:14–15, 17 (NLT) — "But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? 15 And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, 'How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!'... 17 So faith comes from hearing, that is, hearing the Good News about Christ."

THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD



THERE IS NOTHING LIKEHEARINGITHE VOICE OF GOD





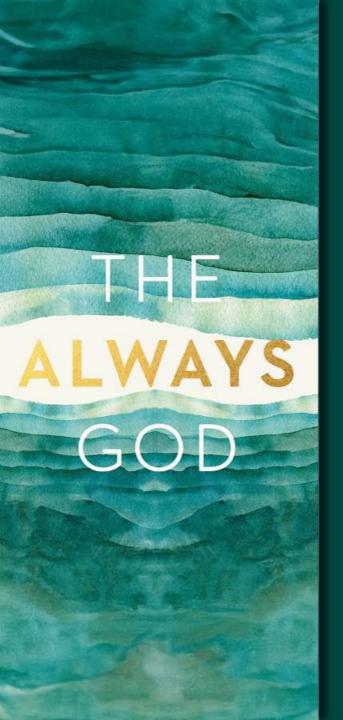
What PREVENTS us hearing God?

• Sin

1 Corinthians 2:14 (NLT) — "But people who aren't spiritual can't receive these truths from God's Spirit. It all sounds foolish to them and they can't understand it, for only those who are spiritual can understand what the Spirit means."

2 Corinthians 4:4 (NLT) — "Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God."

Amos 8:11-12 (NLT) — "The time is surely coming," says the Sovereign LORD, 'when I will send a famine on the land— not a famine of bread or water but of hearing the words of the Lord. 12 People will stagger from sea to sea and wander from border to border searching for the word of the LORD, but they will not find it."



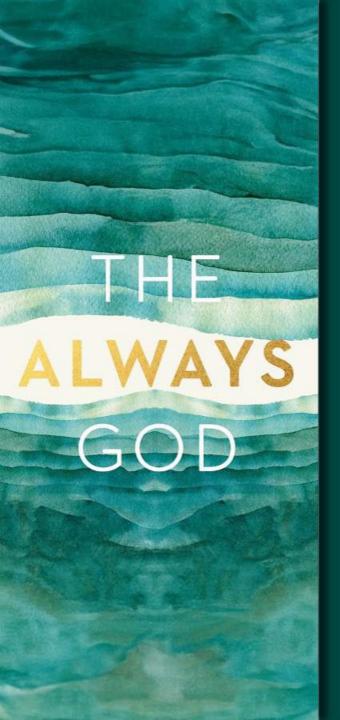
What PREVENTS us hearing God?

- Sin
- Stubbornness

Hebrews 3:7–8 (NLT) — "That is why the Holy Spirit says, "Today when you hear his voice, 8 don't harden your hearts as Israel did when they rebelled, when they tested me in the wilderness."

Hebrews 3:13 (NLT) — "You must warn each other every day, while it is still 'today,' so that none of you will be deceived by sin and hardened against God."



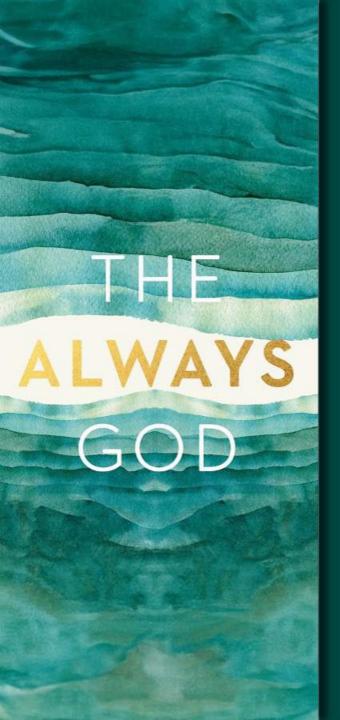


What PREVENTS us hearing God?

- Sin
- Stubbornness
- Self



ARE YOU **T00** WRAPPED UPIN YOURSELF?



What PREVENTS us hearing God?

- Sin
- Stubbornness
- Self
- Silence

IN GOD'S ECONOMY, WAITING ON HIM PRODUCES SOMETHING IN US THAT NOTHING ELSE CAN



Exodus 3:1 (NLT) — "One day Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian. He led the flock far into the wilderness and came to Sinai, the mountain of God."



