HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

Philadelphia Church Pastor Derek Forseth January 15th, 2023

Now the Lord came and stood and called as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel answered, "Speak, for Your servant hears."



speak with him face to face, Even plainly, and not in dark sayings; And he sees the form of the Lord. Why then were you not afraid To speak against My servant Moses?"



But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.



Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," Whenever you turn to the right hand

Or whenever you turn to the left.

LISTEN/SILENT



Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

2 CORINTHIANS 4:4 NKJV

whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

JOHN 8:42-44 NKJV

Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me. ⁴³ Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word.

JOHN 8:42-44 NKJV

⁴⁴ You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.



I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.



My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

Now the boy Samuel ministered to the Lord before Eli. And the word of the Lord was rare in those days; there was no widespread revelation. ² And it came to pass at that time, while Eli was lying down in his place, and when his eyes had begun to grow so dim that he could not see, ³ and before the lamp of God went out in the [a]tabernacle of the Lord where the ark of God was, and while Samuel was lying down,

⁴ that the Lord called Samuel. And he answered, "Here I am!" ⁵ So he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." And he said, "I did not call; lie down again." And he went and lay down. ⁶ Then the Lord called yet again, "Samuel!" So Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." He answered, "I did not call, my son; lie down again."

⁷ (Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, nor was the word of the Lord yet revealed to him.) ⁸ And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. So he arose and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you did call me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord had called the boy. ⁹ Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and it shall be, if He calls you, that you must say,

'Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears.' " So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ Now the Lord came and stood and called as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel answered, "Speak, for Your servant hears."

QUOTE

The voice of God is connected with the presence of God. The stronger God's presence is in my life, the clearer the voice of God is. The further away that God is, the harder it is for me to hear His voice.

-AS

JOHN 16:13 NKJV

However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. JEREMIAH 33:3 NKJV

'Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.'

Logos: the written word.

Rhema: a verse or portion of Scripture that the Holy Spirit brings to our attention.

HEBREWS 4:12 NKJV

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.



If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.



So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

QUOTE

Some people can be so disoriented to God that when He begins to work around them, they actually become annoyed at the interruption.

- HB

QUOTE

The willingness to obey every word from God is critical to hearing God speak.

- HB