



EPISODE 1-LEARNING TO HEAR GOD SPEAK.

Scripture Reference: Heb 1 v1-3, Luke 20v38, Jn 10v27 Ps 29

INTRODUCTION

God spoke, God speaks, He speaks in different ways, He uses different methods in different dispensations. God is relational He wants to speak to us just like every Father wants to speak with his Child

IMPORTANCE OF HEARING GOD

- Key to understanding & fulfilling our destiny & potentials.
- Gods voice brings God's character
- Gods voice bring faith. Rom 10v17
- God's voice is creative Ps 29,
- God's voice empowers
- Hearing God can mean the difference between life & death, success & failure
- Hearing God is a solution to a thousand problems.

WHY WE DON'T HEAR GOD

1. **SELECTIVE DEAFNESS:** We are deafened by our own voice, and the noise around us. It is not God who need to speak louder, we are the ones to listen more closely.
2. **TRADITION/RELIGIOUS MINDSET:**
A traditional/ Religious mindset will affect our interpretation of God. God will not lead you wrongly, but you can infer wrongly. Act 10v10
3. **WE DON'T LISTEN:** 1 Sam 3 v9, Hab 2v1 (NIV) Listening precedes hearing. Listening is not passive. Listening must be intentional.
4. **MISPLACED EXPECTATION:** 1 kg 19: We often miss God's voice because the method, vessel, voice or style God chooses may be different from what you desire. Many of the things we call coincidences are nothing but God speaking.

Application Questions

- 1 In what ways have I been missing God speaking to me?
- 2 Have I become deafened by the noise around me?
- 3 How can I declutter my life from noise?
- 4 What Paradigm shift do I need to make to hear God more.
- 5 How can I become an active listener?
- 6 What adjustments do I need to make?.
- 7 In what way has my background, religious mindset, idiosyncrasies, hindered me from Hearing God
- 8 Am I an active listener?
- 9 How can I cultivate active listening skills?