

# **Guided by the Voice of God**

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## Introduction

This manual is designed for both teacher and student to following the teachings of Ginny Meier during her audio lecture. Hundreds of hours of research and personal study have gone into this teaching. This manual will enlighten the believer in understanding how to hear the voice of God. Copying of the study guide and the tapes are permissible and encouraged by Ginny for personal and church use but not for resale. Ginny desires all believers to receive the revelation she has acquired from the Word.

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The appendix contains the scriptures that are to be memorized by the students for each particular class. I encourage the teacher to run these off for their students, as it would be beneficial and easier for them to memorize as they see it posted on their wall. I encourage color paper because it stands out.



# WHY WE NEED TO HEAR GOD'S VOICE

## He Made us to Hear His Voice

- **John 10:27** My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:
  - Does God really speak today?
  - Will He speak to me personally?
  - Can I actually hear and understand Him?
- Is it that important that I hear the voice of God?
  - We were created with a longing inside of us to hear our Master's voice.
  - He created us to have fellowship with Him.
  - You cannot get to know Him unless you can have a two-way conversation with Him.
    - **Rev 3:20** Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.
- God has a plan and purpose for you and he wants to guide you into it.
  - Do I need to rely on God's guidance and direction?
  - Does God actually have something important for me to do? If so, how do I find it out and walk in it?
    - **Eph 2:10** Good works were planned for us before we existed.

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- **Col 4:17** Take heed to the *ministry* (official service), which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou *fulfill* (complete, fill to satisfaction, finish) it.
    - Called to Leadership:
      - You have been called by God to become a powerful leader in the Body of Christ.
      - God chose to give you life and your life is extremely important for the advancing of the Kingdom of God.
    - God is the only one who knows the best and safest passage.
      - **Jer 29:11** For I know the thoughts (*imagination and intentions*) that I think (*esteem, reckon*) toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end (*a future and a hope*).
      - *Knox*: I have not lost sight of my plan for you, the Lord says, and it is your welfare I have in mind, not your undoing; for you, too, I have a destiny and a hope.
    - He does not treat you like a robot, because you're unique.
      - **Matt 10:30** Your hairs are numbered.

- Don't try to be someone else.
- God guides you not just to take you from one place to the next but also to increase your knowledge of Him.

## Summoned to God's Service

- **Eph 4:1** I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation (*calling*) wherewith ye are called He calls me into His Plan.
  - God has a detailed will and plan for your life and He wants to tell us.
  - **Acts 22:14** God wants us to know His will and hear His voice.
- **Is 48:17** Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit (*be useful or profitable, valuable*), which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.
  - You were created in the image of God.
  - You are an expression of a divine idea.
  - God's plan is not to turn out facsimiles but to develop and mature the unique personality He has given each of His children.
- **Rom 8:28** And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *HIS* purpose.
  - When you love God and are walking in His will, all things will work out to your benefit.
- **2 Tim 1:9** Who hath saved us, and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.
  - We miss God's best when we willfully determine to go "OUR" way
  - Things in our life can change instantaneously and our plans can fall apart but God's plans are secure in Christ.
- **Ps 37:4** The only desires He wants to frustrate are those that will harm you and not help you.
  - Obstacles are there to develop your faith and strengthen your character.
- Do we go to the great architect and tell Him our plans to get approval, or do we go to find out His plan and what our next move should be?

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## God Doesn't Always Explain Himself but Requires you to Trust Him Anyway

- **Deut 29:29** Not only are the revealed things part of His plan but the secret things that we don't know and understand are also part of His plan.
  - Some areas God will not reveal.

- **Is 55:8-9** Our ways and His ways are different.
    - Don't be surprised or baffled of God's dealings with you in this world because some things belong to God alone and we will never understand them completely.
    - **1 Cor 2:8** Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.
    - We need to learn to trust God because he doesn't always explain Himself.
  - **Ps 32:8** I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.
    - Our part is to be sensitive to the shepherds leading and follow Him.
      - David understood in **Ps 23:2** that He leads us beside still waters.
      - **Prov 3:5-6** We are to trust Him with all your heart.
        - Much too often we rely on our own incite and understanding
  - **Jer 10:23** It is not in man that walks to direct his steps.
    - There is safety in following the shepherd wherever He goes.
    - **John 10:11** He is the Good Shepherd.
    - **John 10:3-4** His sheep know His voice.
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## Purpose for God's Plan

- **Titus 2:14** Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.
- **Eph 2:10** For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
  - He wants us to walk in good works, which he ordained for us.
- **Matt 5:16** Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.
  - This is what our purpose is, to glorify the Father in all we do to bring glory to His name, to exalt Him among the people/nations/heathens.
  - **John 17:4** Jesus said, I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.
- **1 John 3:8**...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.
  - **Rev 1:5** says that Jesus was the first begotten from the dead.
  - Since the Word says in **Rev 1:6 JKV** that we are kings and priests and if Jesus being the first King and priest had a purpose for His life, then we, who are after Him and are also kings and priests, have the same high calling.

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## Conditions for Finding God's Will

- **Question:** I've done so much of my own thing. Can God still use me?
  - **Jer 18:1-4** Potter & clay
    - Marred in the potters hands because of something lacking in the clay.
    - He corrected the defect – reformed it into another pot.
    - God always has a best and perfect will that we will walk in, as we yield to Him.
    - Never too late to make a new beginning and go back to His perfect will.
- Start with Faith.
  - Don't be in doubt.
  - Acquire confidence deep inside that He'll come through.
    - You get this through knowledge of Him and Who He is.
  - **James 1:5-7** Ask Him in faith.
  - Seek after Him in prayer.
  - Lay hold until you get an answer.
  - **Ps 107:9** Intently desire because he satisfies the longing soul.
    - Seek with all your heart.
- **Jer 29:13** then you will seek me, inquire for, require me as a vital necessity, and find me when you search for me with all your heart. *JB Phillips*
  - **Vs 13** Look for me, and you shall find me, if you will but look for me in good earnest –*Knox*
  - **Vs 14** I will let you find me, says the Lord. *NEB*
- **Ps 130:6** As you watch in darkness, the dawn comes slowly but is sure to come. The fresh new light of day will illuminate your path and you will receive guidance from the Lord.
  - The believing heart is a restful heart.
  - If you trust in the Lord, you won't be afraid to wait.
  - **Is 28:16** He who believes shall not make haste (be in a rush). *KJV*
    - *JP Phillips:* The man who trusts in me shall rest unmoved.
    - If you trust in the Lord, you will not be concerned about the wait.
  - **Is 64:4** *Rotherham:* Although from age-past times, it was never heard it was not perceived by the ear, neither did the eye ever see that a god beside thee could work for the man who waited for him.
- Obey in all areas.
  - Do we only want God's guidance when it's convenient for us?
  - He guides those who acknowledge Him in all their ways
  - Do you expect for God to grant you further light if you haven't obeyed Him in the light He has already given you?



- The 2<sup>nd</sup> step comes after the 1<sup>st</sup> step.
  - **Prov 4:12** Your steps won't be hampered.
  - **Ps 37:23** The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord.
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## Questions for Class #1

1. Pick where you think you are regarding hearing God's voice.  
  
 I never hear His voice.  
 I seldom hear His voice  
 I occasionally hear His voice  
 I often hear His voice  
 I hear His voice most of the time  
 I always hear His voice
  
2. God wants to guide His children into their God given purpose. How often do you go to God for guidance and direction first instead of your family and friends? (Matt 6:33)  
*This answer will determine where you truly stand regarding question #1.*
  
3. David wrote in Psalm 42:1 *As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God.* What do you think the word "pants" means? How thirsty have you been for God and what have you done lately to bring yourself closer to God in order to hear His voice more clearly?
  
4. Do you have plans to make some changes regarding your time spent in fellowship with the Holy Spirit in order to be *'Guided by the Voice of God'*? After all, God is the one who knows the beginning from the end regarding your circumstances and where He wants to take you.

## Homework for Class #1

### Day 1

- Read the notes and scriptures in section “He Made us to Hear His Voice”.
- In Deut 4:10 & 4:36, what did the Lord do to His children regarding His voice?  
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- What three things can you find in these two scriptures as to the reason why God made them hear His voice?  
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- According to Isa 30:21, what is this scripture telling us the Lord will do for us?  
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- In 1 Sam 15:22, when Saul disobeyed God, what did God say was better than burnt offerings and sacrifices? \_\_\_\_\_
- If God expects us to obey Him, wouldn’t it be feasible to believe that He wants us to hear His voice of instruction? \_\_\_\_\_
- According to John 3:29, what will you be *full of* when you hear the voice of the Lord, our bridegroom? \_\_\_\_\_ How much of this have you had lately?  
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- John 15:10-11 tells us that God wants to give us this joy. This joy comes when we hear His voice and keep His commandments. Please read these verses and meditate on them.

### Day 2

- Read the notes and scriptures in section “Summoned to God’s Service”.  
Let’s look at Acts 22:14-15 closely. In this passage, Paul is the one speaking about himself. He knows that God has called him and chosen him. What four things did God desire for Paul? \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_
- According to Acts 1:8, was Paul to be the only witness to go to the ends of the earth for Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Peter 1:4-10 tells us that we have a calling and election from God. What things can we add to our faith in a diligent fashion to insure that we will never fail in this calling? \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_
- Read Eph 4:1-3. Which attributes does Paul encourage us to walk our calling with?  
\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_
- When we were born again, God deposited into our human spirit the fruits of the Spirit of God. Developing these fruits to maturity, will help us to walk the call God has ordained for us to walk. According to Galatians 5:22-23, name these fruits.  
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The last three questions highlight the attributes that God desires for each of His children. Our goal should be to acquire each in abundance. Jesus was full of the Spirit, which means He was full of these attributes.

### Day 3 & 4

- Read the notes and scriptures in sections “God Doesn’t Always Explain Himself but Requires You to Trust Him Anyway” & “Purpose for God’s Plan”.
- In Psalm 5:11-12, what three things does God tell us He will do for those who place their trust in Him?  
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- In Psalm 44:1-8, who did David put His trust in for the victories in life, even though he was doing the trampling? \_\_\_\_\_  
*Though we have serious circumstances in our life, as we place our trust in God and work through these issues with patience, it is His mighty right hand that will deliver us.*
- Read Rom 8:28-29. What is one of God’s great purposes in redeeming us?  
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- Phil 1:6 tells us how long this process will take.  
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- Be patient with yourself during this process because it is a life-long process.*
- According to 1 Cor 2:12-16 & 6:11, what part does the Holy Spirit have in this conforming? \_\_\_\_\_
- Read Rom 8:14-18.
  - What does the scripture call those who are led by the Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What is the ultimate goal of being led by the Spirit and conforming to Christ’s image (vs. 17)? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What must we experience before sharing His glory (vs. 17-18)? See also Heb 5:8 for your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- If you have suffered with Christ, what responsibilities do you think you were or are being trained for? Read 2 Tim 2:12 & Rev 5:10 \_\_\_\_\_
- Rom 12:1-2 tells us three things we must do in order to grow in Christ’s likeness. What are they? \_\_\_\_\_
- In Phil 3:10 what two things does Paul want from God besides knowing Him personally? \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_  
*How are we expected to walk in the resurrection power of Jesus Christ without first experiencing suffering and death? You cannot, this is impossible. In order to be resurrected, we must first experience a dying to our desires.*
- In 2 Cor 3:18, Who does the actual transforming? \_\_\_\_\_
- According to Rom 6:13, what do you need to do in the process?  
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- Meditate 1 Cor 10:31 today. What things are we to do for the glory of God?  
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## Day 5

- Read the notes and scriptures in section “Conditions for Finding God’s Will”.
  - In our fast microwave society, waiting on God and His timing goes against the grain of modern society. Even when we pray for a need, we expect God to answer our prayer immediately. There is a blessing in waiting on God. What are the benefits in the following scriptures of waiting on God? Take note that the word “hope” and “wait” are often used interchangeably in the scriptures.
    - Psalm 25:3-5  
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    - Psalm 27:14 (see *KJV*) \_\_\_\_\_
    - Psalm 37:1-9  
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    - Psalm 33:16-22  
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    - Psalm 37:34  
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    - Lam 3:24-26  
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  - In Exodus 19:1-6, what would God call the people if they obeyed His voice and keep His commandments? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What does God say He will do for you as you obey His voice and do what He says, in Exodus 23:22?  
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  - In Rom 6:16-17 Paul is writing to the Christians in Rome with great words of wisdom. What does obedience to God lead to? \_\_\_\_\_ and what sin leads to? \_\_\_\_\_. What were the Roman Christians doing wholeheartedly in order to live the righteous life and glorify God? vs. 17  
\_\_\_\_\_
- As we study and obey the Word of God (doctrine) with all our heart, we will become vessels that glorify the Father in all we do.*
- Meditate on Isaiah 40:31. Name the things that will be yours when you wait on the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Memorize this week’s scripture.

## Scripture Memorization:

### Ps 32:8

God instructs me and teaches me in the way that I should go. He guides me with His eye.

# KEYS TO HEARING GOD

## God Knows His Sheep and They Follow Him

- **John 10:26-27** Sheep hear the master's voice, He knows them and they follow Him.
  - If you are a sheep, you should hear the Shepherds voice.
  - Sheep are trained to only follow their master.
- You must believe God the Father wants to speak to you, not just to our Pastor or anyone else in the 5-fold ministry.
  - God desires to speak and for us to hear His words.

## The Master Key is Faith

- The bible is filled with dreams, visions, miracles and supernatural experiences.
  - We're taught not to expect these things
- God is omnipresent, omniscient, and omnipotent.
  - **Mark 9:23** Everything is possible to him who believes.
- Never be content with our present experience of God.
  - **Heb 13:5** Be content with material possessions but never with God.
  - **Rev 3:14-22** To be content with God is to become Lukewarm.
- To hear God, it requires faith.
  - Everything operates by Faith.
    - Faith is the necessary ingredient to hear His voice.
    - **Gal 2:20** Live by the Faith of the Son of God
  - The very same thing could happen to you if you gave God a chance to speak to you as He did to those in Acts.

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- Expect to hear from Him.
    - If you do not believe that God wants to speak to you, then it will not happen.
      - If you do not believe it is the will of God to hear Him, then you must deal with that unbelief.
      - Unbelief will hinder your ears from hearing.
      - God honors faith not unbelief.
    - Without expectation, there will never be fulfillment of hearing from God.
      - People are still sick and in poverty because they don't expect to be delivered from it.
    - The Word gives us a HOPE of expectation.
      - Expect Him to speak: He always has something to say.

- There is nothing wrong with the transmission.
  - The receiver is not tuned in correctly.
  - Tune into the channel W.O.R.D.
- Raise your faith level by saying you hear from God.
  - **Is 50:4-5** He has opened my ear to hear

## How to Cure an Evil Heart of Unbelief

- **Heb 3:12** An evil heart of unbelief
  - **Heb 3:11** They shall not enter into my rest.
    - Israel had a heart of unbelief and they stayed in the wilderness for 40 years.
    - God cannot do anything with you while you are in unbelief.
  - Get belief before your eyes, ears and mouth gate.
    - Take the Word of God and put it through those gates the same way you put unbelief in.
  - IF your heart is not right, you are not going to hear from God.
    - Humble yourself and let God know that you rely on His voice for instruction, training and guidance.
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## Build Your Faith by Seeing God's Faithfulness to Others

- Adam & Eve: walked in the garden with them
  - **Gen 2:16** First time God spoke to Adam.
- Noah: Build an Ark
  - **Gen 6:12-22**
    - Not vague impressions
    - Specific with measurements
- Abraham:
  - **Gen 12:1** Get out of your country.
- The devil:
  - **Gen 3:14** The Lord God said to the serpent.

## Obedience Leads to the Highest Form of Faith

- None of the Old Testament people were born-again.
  - If OT saints could hear, so can you.
  - IF the devil can hear, so can you.
  - We were created to hear Him.
- God is our air traffic controller—Commander-in-Chief.

- When God tells you STOP and you say no, your ears get clogged up.
    - Hearing means obeying.
    - Heart becomes hard and less pliable every time you say NO to God.
  - The same way He speaks to you about unrighteous things, He speaks to you about righteous things.
  - The reason Abraham heard God in crucial times is because he had been hearing and obeying Him all along.
    - God said, “Get up and go” and Abraham obeyed.
  - Jesus claimed He could do nothing of himself.
    - **John 5:30** He judges as he hears his Father judge.
    - **John 7:16** His teaching is not his but the Father’s.
    - **John 8:28** He speaks only the words of the Father.
    - **John 14:10** The Works Jesus did were not his works but the Father’s.
    - **John 14:31** What the Father commands, Jesus did.
  - Jesus presented himself as a bond-slave to the Father under orders which He fulfilled out of love and unbroken communion.
    - Jesus’ heart was always to obey and it should be ours also.
  - If you will not obey Him in the little things, why should He talk with you in crucial things because you won’t obey anyway?
    - What is your track record?
    - It is obeying in the little things that show God you will obey in big things.
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### Power to Perform:

- It’s the ministry of the Holy Spirit in you that gives you the divine power.
- Jesus speaks the words of God and does all these things not out of His deity but by the Holy Spirit who rested upon Him without measure.
  - Jesus made better use of the Holy Spirit’s power than anyone else did before or after.
  - Jesus taught the disciples how to be empowered by the Holy Spirit.
  - **Act 6:3-5 & 7:55** Stephen and Phillip were full of the Spirit
  - **Eph 1:17-20** We have this same power that the apostles had to hear God and perform miracles
    - Recognize the inheritance of mighty power we possess through Christ
- As you yield in obedience:
  - **Acts 2:14-41** Preach boldly
  - **Act 4:29-31** Courageous & powerful
  - **Acts 5:40-41** Face suffering cheerfully and joyfully
  - **Act 7:55-60** Accepted death with forgiveness on your lips
  - **Acts 9:36-41** Raise the dead

- **Acts 16:6** Where to go and not to go
- **Matt 10:8** Drive out demons
- **Acts 22:10-11** What to do and not to do
- **Acts 28:8** Heal the sick

## Summary

- 1) FAITH—You “Must” believe He will speak to you.
  - 2) TRUST—Distrust your own cleverness.
  - 3) OBEY—Obey in all areas.
  - 4) YIELD—Yield without reserve and accept everything He chooses.
  - 5) FELLOWSHIP—Walk daily with God and let Him deliver you from all worldliness.
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## Questions for Class #2

1. Have you every heard God’s voice before and what did it sound like? Are you willing to raise your expectation and believe that God wants to speak to you, and will you be open-minded as to the creative method He uses even if it is not what you are use to? God is not deficient in ways to make His will and ways known to you.
  
2. Were you able to hear God’s voice in the past more than you can now? 2 Chron 20:7 tells us that Abraham was God’s friend. Maybe it was because he spent so much time with Him. What steps can you start taking today to increase the hearing of His voice in your life?



## Homework for Class #2

### Day 1

- Review the notes and scriptures in sections “God Knows His Sheep and They Follow Him” & The Master Key is Faith”.
- Read Ps 78:51-55. According to these verses, God calls us His sheep. Can you find at least five things the Lord does for His sheep in these passages?

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*God is the same yesterday, today and forever. Can you see that God wants to do the same for you, His child, what He did for His people the Israelites?*

- In Psalm 100, who are called the sheep? \_\_\_\_\_ And what pasture does the sheep reside in? \_\_\_\_\_
- According to Ps 100:4, what four things does God require His sheep to do?  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
- Prov 8 is a chapter on wisdom. God is true wisdom and according to verse 1 wisdom is constantly crying out.
  - According to vs. 33, what command does wisdom admonish us to do?  
\_\_\_\_\_ If you do this, what will you be?  
\_\_\_\_\_.

- According to vs. 34, wisdom is telling us to hear and be wise. If we hear God, and watch and wait at His gate for His voice, what will the outcome bring us?  
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- How often should we be at the gate, watching and waiting to hear God’s voice of wisdom? \_\_\_\_\_.

*How often are you at the gate waiting to hear God’s voice? Are you familiar enough with His voice to recognize it when He speaks to you? Are you expecting Him to speak to you? The Scripture tells us He opens our ears to hear Him. Do you believe that?*

- Isa 50:4-5 tells us that God opens my ear every morning to hear Him. According to verse 5, what is my part in this process?

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*God does not want us to rebel against His voice and He does not want us to ignoring His promptings.*

### Day 2

- Review the notes and scriptures in section “How to Cure an Evil Heart of Unbelief”.
- What does Heb 3:12 call a heart that has unbelief in it? \_\_\_\_\_  
*If you are thinking that God will not and does not want to speak to you, you must change the way you think. Prov 23:7 says, “For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he”. Your unbelief will keep your ears closed to God’s voice.*
- What does Col 3:16 tell us to allow the Word of God to do? \_\_\_\_\_  
What is the dictionaries definition for the word richly? \_\_\_\_\_

- When the Jews came out of Egypt, they wandered in the wilderness for 40 years because they would not open their ears to hear God and obey Him. In Ps 95:7-11, what happened to their hearts because of their choice to ignore God's instructing voice? \_\_\_\_\_ Did they ever learn God's ways? \_\_\_\_\_
- In Isa 29:13, what were the people doing with their mouth?  
\_\_\_\_\_ What was the condition of their heart?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- God desires us to yearn after Him with our whole heart, not through any ritual practice taught by men and their rules and ways to approach God.*
- Read Ps 119:10-11. How hard did David seek after God to hear His voice?  
\_\_\_\_\_. What did David do with God's Word in order to keep from sinning against Him? \_\_\_\_\_
- Thought to ponder: How hard do you seek after the Living God? Is He just added to your day of things to do or is He your main focus?
- According to Ps 119:159-162, how did David feel about God's precepts?  
\_\_\_\_\_. How did David's heart feel towards God's Word? \_\_\_\_\_ When David found a promise or revelation in God's Word for himself, how did he react? \_\_\_\_\_
- The Word 'spoil' is a term used in war. It is the riches or wealth of the enemy that is now your possession through conquest.*

### Day 3

- Review the notes and scriptures in section "Build Your Faith by Seeing God's Faithfulness to Others".
- After reading Gen 2:16-20, would you say that Adam had a personal, one-on-one relationship with God? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What were the first words that God said to Adam?  
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  - Was this a suggestion or a command? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Why do you think God was so forceful with Adam?  
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- Can you see in verse 17 that God was forceful because He was trying to protect Adam and Eve from death? At times God will be commanding towards us in order to keep us safe.*
- In Genesis chapter 7, God is speaking to Noah. In verses 2-3, how specific was God's instructions to Noah? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Do you believe God can be this specific with you, and the direction that you should go? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did Noah argue with God on this issue or did he obey? \_\_\_\_\_
  - If Noah resisted God, what would have happened to his family?  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - In verse 16, who shut the door to the ark? \_\_\_\_\_

○ Have you ever given thought to the idea that God can physically do things for you?

- In Acts 18:1-11, what method does God speak to Paul? \_\_\_\_\_
- Apparently, Paul was concerned for his life. How did God's voice comfort Paul?

*The Holy Spirit resides in you as a believer, and all you need to do is call upon Him to help you in your time of testing and trial. God is always faithful even when we are faithless (2 Tim 2:13).*

## Day 4

- Review the notes and scriptures in section "Obedience Leads to the Highest Form of Faith".
- In Isaiah 53, the Lord Jesus is portrayed as the suffering Messiah who had to die because of our rebellion. Read this whole Psalm. In verse 6 & 7, we are called 'sheep gone astray wanted our own way'. What did God the Father lay on Jesus because of our decision to rebel and turn our ears from truth?

*There is a high price to pay for our stubbornness and disobedience, and Jesus paid it. Have you thanked Him for His sacrifice and have you received this gift of forgiveness?*

- Read 1 Samuel 15:1-3. Samuel the prophet told King Saul to listen to the voice of God and obey Him. In verse 3, what did God tell King Saul to do?

- After reading 1 Samuel 15:7-9, did King Saul obey God's command? \_\_\_\_\_  
*It was customary for the victorious army to take the spoils of war, which included gold, silver, livestock, etc., and to bring back the king alive in order to parade him around as a laughing stock for all the people to see. However, in this instance, God told King Saul to kill everything and not to bring anything back.*

- In 1 Samuel 15:10-11, how did God feel about this disobedience?

*We all need faith to hear God's voice and walk in all His promises. The highest kind of faith simply comes with only one step, COMPLETE OBEDIENCE to all that God has said. Obedience is how you get real faith.*

- It is very important to know that God hears our prayers. How can we expect an answer if He has not heard the question. What does Ps 66:18 say will happen if there is iniquity (sin) in our heart? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you faithfully confess your sins on a regular basis? Do you obey in order to have a clear channel with God?

*God is the final authority when it comes to His Word and laws. Your own disobedience will hinder receiving from God and hearing His voice. The only condition to remain in the blessings of God and to continue to hear His voice is to remain in obedience to Him.*

## Day 5

- Review the notes and scriptures in section “Power to Perform”.
  - In John 16:7-16, Jesus talked about the Holy Spirit coming to take His place.
    - In verse 7, what is the Holy Spirit called? \_\_\_\_\_
    - And to whom is Jesus sending the Holy Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_
    - In verse 13, what is the Holy Spirit called? \_\_\_\_\_
    - In verses 13-15, what will the Holy Spirit do for you?  
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  - Have you entered the Spirit-filled life by receiving the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues? \_\_\_\_\_ God wants to tutor you and you need the power of the Holy Spirit to live a victorious life.
  - In Luke 11:13, what does Jesus say the Father will give us if we ask Him?  
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- If you would like to receive this baptism, ask the Lord to give you this gift. He is ready and willing to do this for you. It will take your faith to step out and receive.*
- What will you receive when you are baptized in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 1:8? \_\_\_\_\_
  - If you already have the gift of speaking in tongues, how often are you praying in your spirit language in order to hear God’s voice? \_\_\_\_\_  
I recommend a minimum of 15 minutes a day. The more you pray in the spirit, the more revelation you will receive from God and the clearer His voice will become.
  - Memorize this week’s scripture.

## Scripture Memorization:

**Prov 2:2**

I turn my ear to wisdom and apply my heart to understanding.

# GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

## God Speaks Through the Written Scriptures

- How do we know God’s voice? God’s voice will always match the Logos (written) of His Word, the Bible!
  - When God guides you or gives you direction, He does not nullify the scripture; neither will He change them to accommodate that voice!
    - EX: Whom should I marry?
      - \* God is clear—do not be unequally yoked to an unbeliever.
      - \* You do not even have to pray about it—the Word is clearly speaking.
    - EX: Do I need to come to church?
      - 1Cor 11:20 & 1 Cor 14:23 Come together
      - God is very clear—look up the word “together” in concordance
      - We are to come together regularly
- **Josh 1:8** This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.
  - The only people who will have this kind of success are those who meditate day and night on the Word.
    - **Ps 119:9-11** Those who succeed at resisting temptation are those who have hidden His Word in their hearts.
    - **Ps 19:7-11** There is great reward for meditating and keeping His Word.
  - The Holy Spirit is totally committed to nourishing you, teaching you and speaking to you by the process of washing you with the water of the Word.

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## Daily Meditation

- In order to experience the POWER of the Scriptures, we must obey. However, in order to obey, we must be in it daily.
  - The reason the bible is ineffective for most Christians is that they simply do not read it.
  - Anyone who wants to hear God’s voice on a regular basis will have to become intimately acquainted with the written Word of God.

## He is Talking to Me

- When you start to hear from God, He starts to talk to you about yourself.
  - God's voice creates something new in our lives that we didn't have before.
    - Direction/guidance for your life
      - **Ps 32:8** I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way, which thou shalt go: I will *guide* thee with mine eye.
      - **Luke 1:79** To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.
    - Counsel
      - **Judges 18:5** And they said unto him, Ask counsel, we pray thee, of God, that we may know whether our way which we go shall be prosperous.
      - **Ps 73:24** Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.
    - Instructions
      - **Acts 8:25-40** Phillip obeyed God to speak to the Eunuch and he was supernaturally transported.
        - Specific details
        - Transported 25 miles after his obedience
        - Blessings of hearing and obeying
    - Chastening of the Lord
      - **Heb 12:5-11** For whom the Lord loves he *chastens* (tutor/educate)
      - **2 Tim 3:16** All Scripture is give by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for *instruction* in righteousness.
    - Teaching
      - **1 John 2:27** The anointing abides in you and you need not that any man teach you (*Increase in understanding*).
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## Practice Hearing God

- Sometimes, it's just one word from God
  - STOP!!!
  - Be faithful and it'll open a sentence
- Start with the little stuff:
  - Exercise your senses
    - Ask God which way to go.
    - When the phone rings, ask God who is calling.
    - What will be the next song in worship?
    - What will Pastor preach on next Sunday?
    - When watching a TV show—even if it is a bad one, ask God to speak to you through it.
    - Why did this person come to my mind?

- Observe four people -What emotions are you feeling about them?
  - Start with family member so that you can ask them if you were correct.
    - \* Tell them you're practicing hearing God's voice
- Look at an item and ask God to say something to you that is edifying.

## A Rhema Word

- There is a difference between studying scripture and hearing scripture speak to you because God is speaking to you.
  - When a person prays they are simply speaking to or holding a conversation with God.
- For so long we have been instructed, corrected, reprovved as well as having our spirits lifted up by the Logos of the word (written) and paying very little attention to the Rhema word (voice) of God.
- Can you hear His voice? Let us take the Holy Ghost hearing test. Take 6 steps:
  - 1. Close your eyes and Rest in Him for a moment**
  - 2. Say "Jesus I love you"**
  - 3. Say it again "Jesus I love you"**
  - 4. Once again "Jesus I love you"**
  - 5. Be lovingly bold and ask, "Jesus, do you really love me"?**
  - 6. Just be quiet and with great expectation wait for His precious response.**
    - Whatever expression of love that He used when He spoke to you, it was conveyed to you by the Holy Spirit.
    - You have just experienced personal Holy Spirit revelation through the Rhema (spoken voice) of God.
- It is great to get a love letter (logos), but it is also so powerful to receive a Rhema (spoken) word from the one you love telling you of their love.
  - God's love letters to man needs, at times, the reality of His Rhema (voice) to assure us that all is well with our soul.
  - God has two voices by which He speaks to mankind. The two voices of God are the voice of His written word (the logos) and the voice of His spoken word (the Rhema).

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### Questions for Class #3

1. Do you spend time every day in the (logos) written Word? What is your devotional time like in the written Word of God? We must make time to not only read but also meditate on the scriptures in a private devotional time, in order to hear the voice of God.
  
2. What steps can you take to incorporate a daily plan to make time in His Word? Think about a place you can go for privacy and the best time to spend with God. Give suggestions to each other to help one another accomplish this goal.

### Homework Class # 3

#### Day 1

- Read the notes and Scriptures in section “God Speaks Through the Written Scriptures”.
- According to scripture, Solomon was the wisest man who ever lived. This is because he did what he is instructing his son to do. Read Prov 4:20-23 for this instruction.
  - Since Solomon’s words are from the heart of God, according to verse 20, what is he telling his son to do with God’s Word?  
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  - What should he do with the Word according to verse 21?  
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  - What does he tell him to do with his heart?  
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- Read Ps 119:9-16
  - What will it take to live a clean, pure life?  
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  - How hard are we to seek God? \_\_\_\_\_
  - When we hide God’s Word in our heart, what will it keep us from?  
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  - How are we to act when we find great riches in His Word?  
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  - What are we to do with God’s precepts?  
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- How are we to act to the precepts of God?

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- In verse 16, what does the Psalmist tell us to do with the Word?

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*God calls us to not only hear the Word in order to remember it, but also to do the Word so that it is cemented into our hearts.*

## Day 2

When you are born again, regardless of your physical age, you are a spiritual baby. Yes, we are sons of God and co-heirs with Christ but we cannot walk in our full inheritance until we grow up. The Lord is calling His body of believers to grow up and to start living out their inheritance. To give you an example of what I mean, a king has a son who is heir to the throne but he cannot operate as ruler until he matures as a man. This is the same in God's Kingdom. If you want more power and glory operating in your life, you must grow up spiritually because God wants you to rule in the Kingdom.

- Read the notes and scriptures in section "Daily Meditation".
- According to Gal 3:29, Gal 4:1-2, if you belong to Christ, you are Abraham's seed and you are \_\_\_\_\_ to the promise.
- If you are a child, even though you are an heir, what do the scriptures tell you that you are likened to? \_\_\_\_\_
- Read 1 Cor 3:1-3.
  - What did Paul call the Corinthians? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What did he have to feed them with? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What kind of food were they not able to handle? \_\_\_\_\_
  - How were they acting for Paul to call them carnal believers?

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*In the Greek, the word 'men' or 'mere men' means the natural man or the fleshly man.*

- What do you think it will take to grow into the mature woman/man of God that He intends you to be? \_\_\_\_\_
- In Eph 4:11-14, the Lord tells us that he has given the church apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers.
  - What is God trying to do to the saints according to verse 12? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What four things are mentioned in verse 13 which God desires for His children to become?
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  - In verse 14, what does the Lord not want to happen to His children? \_\_\_\_\_

### Day 3

- Read the notes and scriptures in section “He is Talking to Me”.
- God talks to us in many different ways and for many purposes. In Psalm 23, can you find a few of the reasons why God wants to talk to you? Find one in each verse.
  - Verse 1 He wants to take care of my needs
  - Verse 2 \_\_\_\_\_
  - Verse 3 \_\_\_\_\_
  - Verse 4 \_\_\_\_\_
  - Verse 5 \_\_\_\_\_
  - Verse 6 \_\_\_\_\_
- In John 10:2-3, Jesus tells us that His sheep listen to His voice. What does he call them? \_\_\_\_\_ and what does He do for them?  
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- In John 10:5, will the Lord’s sheep follow someone else? \_\_\_\_\_ What do the sheep do when they hear a stranger’s voice? \_\_\_\_\_  
*If the Scriptures tell us that God leads His sheep with His voice, then we can come to the assumption that He is continually speaking to us. We need to open our spiritual ears to hear what our Great Shepherd has to say. Isa 30:21 tells us “Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, “This is the way; walk in it.”*
- It is very important for us to know what our Lord’s voice sounds like. In 2 Tim 4:3-4, there will be a time when men will not want to hear sound doctrine (the Lord’s Words). What will these people be looking for?  
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- God desires to give us clear instructions.
  - According to Gen 26:1-3, what did God tell Isaac to do?  
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  - If Isaac obeys God, what can he expect? Notice that his descendents were also included in this. \_\_\_\_\_
  - Do you think you need to hear God clearly in order to obey His commands?  
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### Day 4

- Read the notes and scriptures in section “Practice Hearing God”.
- If we want our inheritance, we must grow up spiritually.
  - According to Heb 5:12-14, what did the author say to the Hebrews about their spirituality?  
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  - If you are still on milk and not meat, what are you called?  
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  - When you are on solid food, you are mature and are able to distinguish between \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If you are still on milk, what are you unskilled/unacquainted with?  
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- It is good to have the milk of the Word but we must also move on to the meat. According to 1 Pet 2:1-3, Peter is talking to believers who are having a lot of strife, and evil speaking between themselves. What does he tell these baby/carnal Christians to crave in order to start growing up spiritually?  
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- In 2 Timothy, Paul writes to Timothy with the concern that he must fulfill the ministry to which the Lord had called him to. Since they were living in days of great apostasy (*falling away from the truth*), he was encouraging Timothy to endure hardship as a good soldier and to hold on to sound doctrine. Read the following Scripture from the Amplified Bible.  
*2 Tim 2:15 Study and be eager and do your utmost to present yourself to God approved (tested by trial), a workman who has no cause to be ashamed, correctly analyzing and accurately dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth.*
  - According to 2 Tim 2:15, how are we to handle the Word of Truth?  
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- Paul exhorts Pastor Timothy in 2 Tim 4:2-4 to preach the Word regardless of whether it is convenient or inconvenient. What will the times in the future be like (*this is that time*, regarding people's attitude toward the true Word)?  
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If you have an Amplified Bible, I recommend you read it from this version in order to get a real clear understanding.

## Day 5

The Rhema Word is a quickened word. It is a word of Scripture or a word from the Lord supernaturally dropped into our mind and spirit causing it to come alive with power. It causes the believer to have no doubt. This Word floods our entire being with faith.

- Read the notes and scriptures in section "A Rhema Word".
- According to Romans 10:17, what will it take for your faith to grow?  
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*The phrase 'Word of God' in this text is the Greek word 'Rhema of God'. As you hear the spoken Word of God, faith comes.*

- Satan has only three major temptations. In 1 John 2:16, the Word tells us they are the lust of flesh, lust of eyes and the pride of life. In Matt 4:1-10, Jesus, our Master Swordsman, shows us how to use the 'Rhema' Word of God to defeat the demonic powers in your life. Read these Scriptures before answering the following questions.
  - Eph 6:17 tells us to put on the helmet of salvation and what other weapon are we to put on?  
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  - What is this weapon called? \_\_\_\_\_
  - According to Rev 1:16, what is Jesus holding in His mouth?  
\_\_\_\_\_

*We can conclude that Jesus comes to defeat His foe with the Word (Rhema) of God coming out of His mouth. The Sword of the Spirit is an invisible weapon that we use by confessing the Word of God over our circumstances and against the enemy.*

- What does Psalm 149:6 tell us should come forth from our mouth?

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- What weapons should we be holding in our hand and using on a regular basis?

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- Have you been using your Sword lately?

## **Scripture Memorization:**

### **Josh 1:8**

This book of the law shall not depart out of my mouth but I shall meditate in it day and night and I will observe to do according to all that is written in it, for then I shall make my way prosperous and then I shall have good success.

# GOD SPEAKS THROUGH OTHERS AND THROUGH AN INNER WITNESS

## Through the Advice of Others

- **Prov 24:6** In the multitude of counselors there is safety.
  - God will speak through your Pastor, through me, through you, through a friend.
  - When God speaks, you'll be quickened inside and you'll know it's from God.
- **Prov 27:9** Perfume and incense bring joy to the heart, and the pleasantness of one's friend springs from his earnest counsel.
  - Jethro counsels Moses
    - **Exodus 18:13-19** Listen to Godly people that have a walk with God.
    - Jethro's Godly counsel kept Moses from being worn out.
- Joshua did not take counsel from the Lord and Gibeon was spared.
  - **Joshua 9:3-26** The Gibeonites feared for their lives.
  - Because Joshua didn't get counsel, they were sworn for an oath not to conquer Gibeon.
  - They lost out on full possession of a city.
- **Prov 11:14** For lack of guidance a nation falls, but many advisers make victory sure.
- **Prov 4:7-9** Wisdom is the principal thing.....
  - If you're going to achieve the kind of spiritual excellence you're hungry for, you're going to have to be unreasonably committed to the Word of God.
    - **John 2:17** "Zeal for your house will consume me."
  - Satan will dispatch hell's choicest personnel to bring you down and you better be prepared for a battle.
- **Prov 2:7** God is ready to dispense wisdom to you.
  - Layeth up: Hoards, protects, reserves
- **Ps 32:8** I will instruct you and teach...
- **Prov 3:6** In all your ways....He will direct your paths

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## An Inner Witness - The Spirit of Man Spoken to by the Holy Spirit

- **John 10:2-4** The sheep hear His voice.
  - God speaks and guides us in the inner man.

- Our heart is the workshop of God.
  - When you fill your heart with the Word of God, it'll speak to you.
  - There is no voice in the Bible apart from the living person of God.
    - The voice comes from an inward dwelling of His Spirit talking to my human spirit.
    - Use your reason but make sure it's founded on the Word of God and not what someone else says.
      - **Ez 28** Satan was corrupted by reason of his brightness, wisdom and beauty.
  - When you're looking for God's voice, don't look for something weird or something strange.
    - Just listen for a voice and make sure you always filter it through His Word.
    - He'll never ask you to do anything contrary to His Word or speak contrary to the character of the one who wrote this book.
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- **Prov 6:20-22** Take the Word of God and continually bind them on your heart.
  - The word will guide you when you walk about.
  - When you sleep, they'll watch over you.
  - And when you're awake, they'll talk to you.
- We were made to hear God in our inner man.
  - **1 Peter 3:4** The hidden man of the heart.
- **Romans 8:14** For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.
  - The mature (*Huios*) sons know how to communicate with the Father through their spirit.
  - God is not a respecter of persons but He is a responder of persons. (**Rom 2:11**)
- **Prov 20:27** The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.
  - Your human spirit inside you that God uses, brings enlightenment and understanding.
    - You hear God with your human spirit – the voice of your heart not the voice of your head.
    - **Heb 4:12** Divides between soul and spirit, joints and marrow and discerns between thoughts and intents of the heart.
      - Before you were born again, you had a spirit but it wasn't the candle of the Lord.
      - When you became born again, you got all the equipment you need to hear God's voice—it's in you.

## You've Been Born Again

- The life and nature of God has made us new. BORN-AGAIN
- The Holy Spirit comes to dwell in our spirit not our mind.

- He does not communicate directly with our mind.
  - We receive information from the Holy Spirit through our spirit.
  - However, our spirit does influence our intellectual process from within.
    - God uses our spirit to enlighten us; to guide and direct us
    - He speaks to us by an inward witness.
  - **John 3:3-7** Ye must be born again. Nicodemus:
    - The New Birth is a rebirth of the human spirit.
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## The New Birth

- When a man is born again, the spirit (which is the real man) is born again and the old man is gone.
  - The old hard, stony heart is gone.
  - He is a new creature.
    - You have been given a new heart and a new spirit from God.
    - **Ezek 36:26-27** A new heart & new spirit & Holy Spirit
    - **2 Cor 5:17** Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.
  - The life of God that comes into our spirit is the nature and the life of God, which re-creates our spirit and makes us new creatures in Christ Jesus. (**Rom 6:23, John 5:26, John 10:10**).
  - God informs our spirit and our spirit passes the info onto our mind.
    - God doesn't normally inject thoughts directly into your mind from the outside. Instead, He speaks to our spirit, our spirit translates it into a thought, and we form a picture with understanding.
  - If you've put God's Word first place in your life, you've trained your spirit through the Word and your conscience (inner thoughts) will be a safe guide. It will become the voice of God speaking to you in decisions you need to make.
    - The conscience is the inner voice of the human spirit in which God's voice is heard.
- If the Word is planted, what will come forth from your spirit?
  - Put the Word in your eyes, ears, mouth
  - Meditate on the Word day and night until you believe with your heart.
    - God's Word is spirit food – 3 meals a day
    - If God is going to guide you, you must have a spirit that's developed to a certain maturity to understand what God is going to be communicating.
  - The Words/Voice of God is compatible with the Born-Again spirit
    - Like a computer and certain software.

- An old/ancient computer won't be able to take new updated state of the art software.
  - Not compatible with the flesh only the spirit
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## Be a Doorkeeper to Your Heart

- My heart has the capacity and power to multiply whatever seed is planted.
  - We are the gatekeepers of our heart.
    - **Prov 23:7** For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he.
    - **Prov 16:1-2** The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD. All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits.
- **Acts 16:14** The Lord opened Lydia's heart
  - The ear you hear God with is in the center of your H"EAR" T
  - God will amplify the hearing heart.
- **1 Sam 16:7** God looks at the heart (Samuel anointing David as king)
- **2 Chron 16:9** He shows himself strong...who's heart is completely His
  - God is looking for hearts because He's looking for someone to talk to.
  - My heart condition can affect my hearing.
  - It can either amplify God's voice or clog God's voice.
  - You must put the right stuff in your heart if you're going to hear from God.
    - Use those sense gates
    - David made his soul to thirst for God – **Psalms 63**
- Do you have things in your heart that are hampering the transmission of God's voice being amplified in your spirit?
  - Your heart condition determines your hearing condition.
- God is looking for a heart that is full of the Word so that His voice will be amplified.
  - What is your heart condition?
  - What are you full of?
  - Depression, the news, opposite sex, unforgiveness, bitterness, material possessions, worldliness, TV, movies, secular music,
  - The junk in your heart will clog/plug your spiritual ears from hearing God's voice



## Questions for Class #4

1. Can you think of a time in the past where you didn't get godly counsel before making a big decision? How did it affect the people in your life? How did it affect you?

*We must remember that many advisers make for a sure victory (Prov 11:14)*

2. Can you think of a time when you asked God for guidance and you thought you heard Him in your inner spirit? Did you check it out in the written Word? Or did you at least wait for God to confirm His Word to you before you stepped out to do what you thought He said?

## Homework for Class #4

### Day 1

- Read the section "Through the Advice of Others" and read through all the Scriptures.
- According to Prov 12:15, what does the Word say about you if you seek counsel and advice from others? \_\_\_\_\_ and if you do what you think is right without getting any counsel on the issue, what does the Bible call you?  
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- God's Word is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path according to Ps 119:105. After reading Ps 119:130-134, when God's word enters your heart, what does it give you? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In verse 133, the Word of God tells us that when His Word orders, establishes and directs our lives, what will not have dominion or rule over us? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever met people who always do the talking and never any listening? They rarely ask advice or counsel from anyone. They fall into the traps of the enemy because of their foolish independent spirit. God does want us to stand on our own two feet and make decisions but on occasion, we need to ask a number of wise, godly people whom we trust, what they think about decisions we need to make.

- According to Prov 11:14, what could happen to someone if they acted without wise counsel? \_\_\_\_\_ What does the Word say you will have in the multitude of counselors? \_\_\_\_\_
- What could fail if you didn't get enough counsel but would succeed if you did, according to Prov 15:22? \_\_\_\_\_
- Prov 19:20 tells us to "Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise". The major decisions we make in our life usually have to do with family issues, finances, marriage, jobs, education, moves, etc. Have you sought after wise counsel for major decision so that your end would be blessed? \_\_\_\_\_

- Before we make plans, what should we do according to Prov 20:18?  
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- Don't be so proud that you won't ask advice of other godly men and women. God's voice is heard clearly through their wisdom. Read Prov 8:13-21 to get a picture of what wisdom can do for you.

## Day 2

- Read the section "An Inner Witness" and review all the Scriptures.
- After Elijah had a great victory on Mt Carmel with the prophets of Baal, Queen Jezebel sought after Elijah to kill him. He went running for his life and ended up at Mt Horeb where he experienced a terrible wind, earthquake and fire. For more on this story you can read 1 Kings 18 & 19. After reading 1 Kings 19:11:13, what does the Scripture say that the voice of God sounded like to Elijah?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Our world is full of distractions, which make it very hard to hear the 'still small voice of the Lord'. According to the last part of Ps 4:4, what can we do to hear the voice of God in this noisy world we live in?  
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- After reading Ps 77:6, what time of the day does Asaph, the Psalmist tell us he communes with his spirit? \_\_\_\_\_ I like what the KJV says, "*I communed with my own heart and my spirit made diligent search*". Asaph realized that in order to hear the voice of God, he needed to find a quiet place to fellowship with God and to look into his spirit for the things God was saying to him.
- In Ps 63:6, where was David when he meditated on God? \_\_\_\_\_
- What does Ps 46:10 call us to do when we need to hear His voice?  
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*Have you been able to silence yourself internally and externally in order to hear God's voice clearly? In the beginning of learning to hear from God, it is difficult to hear Him during the day because of all the distraction. I would advise you to lie down and silence yourself and the atmosphere around you in order to make it more conducive to hear our Father's voice. My favorite time of fellowship is in the evening when the house is quiet and everyone is in bed. Once you are in tuned to His voice, it will be easier to hear the Lord all the time and anywhere you are.*

## Day 3

- Read the section in your notes "You've Been Born Again" and review the Scriptures.
- What does Job 32:8 tell us that God has put in man? \_\_\_\_\_ The word 'spirit' is the word 'breath' in the Hebrew. We can only conclude that the spirit of man is the breath of God within him. After reading the following translations, what do we need to learn to extract from the breath of God (our spirit)?  
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*Job 32:8 But it is the spirit in a man, the breath of the Almighty, that gives him understanding. NIV*

*But I see now that man speaks by inspiration; only the breath of the most High can grant discernment KNOX*

*But now I know that it is a breath in man, the spirit of Shaddai, that gives discernment. Jerus*

- To further confirm that the spirit of man is the breath of God, read Job 27:3. As long as Job had life within him what was in Job's nostrils? \_\_\_\_\_ Read the following translations.

*So long as my breath is in me, and the spirit of God is in my nostrils ABPS*

*All the while my breath is in me, and the spirit of God is in my nostrils KJV*

- God gave you a human spirit in order to communicate with Him. No other creature on earth has a spirit except man. This human spirit gives us access to hear from our Maker. What have you been putting more of into your spirit, the Word of God or has it been more of the worldly things this earth has to offer?

\_\_\_\_\_ Your answer to this question reveals how well you've been hearing our Lord.

## Day 4

- Read the section in your notes "The New Birth" and review all Scriptures.
- In order to be victorious in life we need to learn how to communicate with God through our spirit. The Holy Spirit is the one who speaks to our human/born again spirit. The teachings we receive from this world are not good enough to help us fulfill our God given destiny. Through the new birth, we now have access to the mysteries of God's plan for us. Our human spirit, as believers in Jesus Christ, has been born again and we also have the Holy Spirit indwelling us. From the following verses, allow the Spirit of God to show you this truth.
- As you read Matt 11:11, what does Jesus tell us about John the Baptist?  
\_\_\_\_\_ And what does He say about the rest of us who are called the least in the kingdom of heaven? \_\_\_\_\_
- Why do you think that Jesus said that we are greater than John the Baptist? After all, he was considered the greatest prophet who ever lived. This mystery is revealed in Col 1:27. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Cor 13:5 tells us to examine ourselves to see if we are in the faith. What determines if you are in the faith? \_\_\_\_\_
- The Spirit of Christ is your born again spirit from God. This is Christ living in your human spirit. If you have not been born again, what does Rom 8:9 say about you?  
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- According to John 14:16-18, who did Jesus say He would send, from the Father, to be with you and in you to counsel you? \_\_\_\_\_
- In Eph 1:13, what were we sealed with for salvation? \_\_\_\_\_
- 1 Cor 6:19-20 tells us that your body and spirit does not belong to you anymore. Who now owns your body? \_\_\_\_\_ Who lives in your body now?  
\_\_\_\_\_ What is your body called? \_\_\_\_\_
- If the Holy Spirit has taken residence in your body and your human spirit has become alive unto God by becoming born again, do you think that God can now talk to you freely and that you should be able to hear Him? \_\_\_\_\_

## Day 5

- Read the section “Be a Doorkeeper to Your Heart” and review the Scriptures.
- Our heart is where we manufacture the promises of God. This is the place where faith is developed. Why does God tell us to guide our heart according to Prov 4:23?  
\_\_\_\_\_ I like how the NEB version quotes this Scripture, “*Guard your heart more than any treasure, for it is the source of all life.*”
- Since we are called to guard our hearts, what fruit of the Spirit does Phil 4:7 tell us will help us to do just that? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Tim 1:14 also tells us who will help us guard our hearts and the deposit of truth that has been placed in us. Who is that person? \_\_\_\_\_
- According to Ps 17:3, God examines the hearts of people. What did David tell the Father he would find when He looked in his heart? \_\_\_\_\_
- Can you say the same to our Heavenly Father when He looks into your heart while you are sleeping? \_\_\_\_\_ Read the following translation of this Scripture.  
*Though you test my heart, searching it in the night, though you try me with fire, you shall find no malice in me. NAB*  
David was determined to guard his heart from all evil.
- Ps 37:30-31 tells us that the righteous will not slip because \_\_\_\_\_ is in his heart.
- What was David’s heart telling him to do in Ps 27:7-8?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Does your heart tell you the same thing? \_\_\_\_\_  
How often do you do this? \_\_\_\_\_  
*God desires for us to have a contrite and humble heart. We are to desire Him with all that is in us. Our soul is supposed to yearn for him. We are to cry out for the living God (Ps 84:1-2). This will happen when we commune with Him by meditating on His Word day and night. I encourage you to practice His presence in your life all the time. It’s well worth the time spent with Him. It’ll keep your heart pure. Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God (Matt 5:8).*

## Scripture Memorization:

### Prov 3:5-6

I trust in the Lord with all my heart; I do not lean on my own understanding. In all my ways I acknowledge Him, and He directs my paths.

# PRAYER IS A VITAL TOOL TO HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

## God is Listening to You

- **Jer 33:1-3**
  - Jeremiah was put in prison for proclaiming that Babylon would capture Judah because of their sin of disobedience.
    - He needed to be reassured from God that He was in control of the nation in general and of his life in particular.
    - When we pour out our hearts to God, we can know there is someone on the other end of the line who not only promises to listen, but also promises to answer.
- **Prayer is a dialogue not a monologue**
  - Dialogue=Two way conversation
  - Monologue=One way conversation
- **God not only speaks to us, He also listens to us.**
  - He listens carefully and thoroughly and gives His full attention when you talk.
  - So, one of the primary ways God speaks is through prayer.
  - We pray→He listens→we listen→He speaks.

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## Jesus Models a Prayer Life

- **Prayer is a vital tool to hearing the voice of our God.**
  - Prayer is so vital that the disciples wanted Jesus to teach them how to pray properly in **Luke 11:1**.
  - Jesus spent much time in prayer, going off in the night to be alone with His Father.
    - **Luke 18:1** Jesus was disciplined in His prayer life. He told His disciples to always be praying and not to lose heart.
    - Jesus did not limit His times of prayer to crisis only.
    - Whether He was tired or rested, hungry or satisfied, Jesus prayed.
- **You must take the time to pray.**
  - **Mark 1:35** And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.

- Many important decisions should not be made until you spend time in prayer.

## What Does God Communicate to us in Prayer?

### ■ He gives direction, peace and His desire.

#### ○ GUIDANCE:

- **Luke 6:12-13** And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them He chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;
- **James 4:13-16** Don't forge ahead in your plans until consulting the Lord for His guidance and will.
  - To avoid costly mistakes
- **Joshua 9:14** The Gibeonites tricked the Israelites into making a peace treaty with them.
- Vs 14 And the men took of their victuals, and asked not counsel at the mouth of the LORD.
- Israelites had to suffer the consequences of not asking for counsel of the Lord.
- **James 1:5** Ask wisdom of God who gives liberally.
- Prayer should not be your last resort when you need advice.
- Our responsibility is to ask for guidance and His responsibility is to give it to us.

#### ○ PEACE:

- Worry & fear will hinder God's voice in your life.
- Corrie ten Boom once observed, "Worry doesn't empty tomorrow of its sorrow; it empties today of its strength".
- **Phil 4:6** Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.
- Paul was in prison when he wrote this Scripture.
- He was waiting for the verdict in his trial that would determine whether he would live or die.
- When you decide to pray instead of worry, **Phil 4:7** is activated in your life.

#### PEACE

- **Phil 4:7** And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.
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#### ○ HIS DESIRES:

- In Chapters 1 & 2 of Nehemiah, he goes before the Lord in prayer and fasting to hear what He has to say.

### ■ Nehemiah had a burden to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem.

- **Neh 2:12** This was God's desire placed in Nehemiah.
  - **Acts 10:30-32** Cornelius: thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God.
    - Cornelius was praying and fasting for 4 days.
    - Here we see God's desire for Cornelius to know the truth and he sends for Peter to reveal who the Messiah was.
  - **Acts 12:4-11** Peter in prison rescued by an angel
    - Prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.
  - **James 5:16-18** Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
    - It is the Father's heart to heal and He needs our prayers.
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## Making Time for God

- Do you make time in your daily schedule to allow God to speak to you?
  - Allow Him to speak to you on these issues:
    - Sins that need to be dealt with
      - **Ps 139:23-24** Let the Holy Spirit's spotlight shine in those dark areas of your life to reveal where you are missing the mark with God and your brother.
    - Is unforgiveness in your heart toward anyone?
      - **Matt 5:23-24** Be Reconciled to your brother
    - Are there commands that need to be obeyed that you might not have followed through on?
      - **Ps 119:34-35** Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart. Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.
      - The purpose of Divine revelation is obedience.
- Prayer is US speaking to God and GOD speaking to us.
  - Since God does have an opinion and His opinion counts a lot for success, we need to take notice of it.
- He gives peace in the midst of turmoil and His peace will keep us healthy.
  - He is telling us His desires for our life.
    - Prayer is ultimately aligning your will with God's will, your desires with His desires and submitting yourself to His sovereign plan. This brings supernatural peace.
- Why aren't more people praying and listening for God's voice, the Supreme Ruler of the universe, since He has promised to communicate with us if we do?

## A Place and Time Reserved for God

- A set time is important to listen to God.
    - **For Jesus, it was...**
    - **Luke 9:29, 32 Late night**
    - **Mark 1:35 Early morning-great while before day (still dark)**
    - **Luke 5:15-16 Mid-day**
  - A quiet place to pray is also important.
    - **Luke 9:18** He was alone praying.
    - **Luke 9:28** He went into the mountains.
    - **Luke 5:16** He withdrew into the wilderness.
    - **Mark 1:35** He departed into a solitary place.
  - Have your bible, note pad and pen ready to journal.
    - Record what God is saying to you.
    - God can tell that you are serious with Him by your attentiveness to record what His instructions, impressions, guidance and desires are for us.
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## Questions for Class #5

1. Jesus was never out of communion with His Heavenly Father. Why do you think that He found prayer a necessary part of His day?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Discuss the ways we can follow the example of our Master and Lord Jesus Christ in prayer.



## Homework for Class #5

### Day 1

- Through your homework, we plan to take an adventure into the world of prayer and my hope is that after you have completed this lesson, your heart will be stirred to prayer more fervently than you ever have before. For your first day of study, read all the notes and review the Scriptures.

### Day 2

- Where did Jesus go in Matt 14:13 to pray after hearing that John the Baptist had been beheaded by Herod? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In John 18:1-2, where did Jesus often retreat to in order to pray?  
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  - Even though posture is secondary to the attitude of your spirit during prayer, what posture do you think Jesus used in the following Scriptures:
    - John 11:32-44 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Luke 3:21-22 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Matt 14:19 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Luke 22:41 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Matt 26:39 \_\_\_\_\_
- If the Son of God took a posture of kneeling and lying prostrate on the ground when He came into the presence of God, how much more should we mere mortals do the same!*
- In Matt 6:1-13, Jesus taught His disciples about prayer.
    - According to verse 6, how are we to pray to our Father? \_\_\_\_\_
    - If we pray this way, what can we expect from God? \_\_\_\_\_
  - According to John 7:53-8:1, when everyone went home, where did Jesus go to pray?  
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### Day 3

- Miracles, healings, the pressure of work, and even sorrow always included much prayer. In the following Scriptures, what did Jesus do?
    - Matt 14:23-33 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Matt 15:36 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Matt 26:36-46 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Mark 9:14-29 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Luke 5:15-16 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Luke 23:34 \_\_\_\_\_
    - Luke 23:46 \_\_\_\_\_
    - John 11:41-43 \_\_\_\_\_
- Even in the hour of Jesus' death, His prayer life could not be quenched even by death itself. He died praying. What a testimony of a lifetime of habitual prayer.*
- According to Luke 18:1 & Eph 6:18, how often should we pray? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Rom 12:12 tells us to continue faithful and urgently in \_\_\_\_\_.

- In Col 4:12, Epaphras was always wrestling in \_\_\_\_\_ for the Colossian saints in order for them to stand firm in all the will of God, mature and fully assured.
- Col 1:9-12 is a great apostolic prayer to pray over yourself. In the first part of verse 9, how do the Scriptures say that Paul and Timothy are praying for the Colossian saints? \_\_\_\_\_  
*It is so important for us to continue praying for ourselves and for the needs of others. Jesus is our perfect example of faithfulness in this area and we should follow in His footsteps.*

## Day 4

- Today we will discuss 'The Lord's Prayer'. It was given as a pattern to follow by Jesus in Matt 6:5-15. His disciples had heard Jesus pray many times and wanted to learn how to come before the Father in a proper manner in order to receive from Him. After all, Jesus did walk in miracles, signs, wonders and answered prayer. Please read this through and answer the following questions.
  - In verse 5, Jesus warned His disciple not to pray as hypocrites. What were they doing and why? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In verse 6, how are we to pray for an open reward? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What are we not to do in prayer according to verse 7? \_\_\_\_\_  
*Jesus didn't say to pray these exact words but use this format for prayer to the Father.*
  - In verse 9, who is the one we are to pray to? \_\_\_\_\_  
*This is a prayer for the family of God. Notice that the verse says, 'OUR' Father. It's unselfish in nature. As we pray to the Father, we should realize that we should include others as part of the requests. For example, pray that the Father would also deliver others from evil as well.*
  - Where is God the Father? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you think this is more of a place or an elevation of His position above man? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What are we to do to His name? \_\_\_\_\_  
*We are to hold His Name in reverent awe for He is holy!*
  - In verse 10, what are we to pray to be done on the earth?  
\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_  
*We must desire for God's will to be done in our earthen vessel called His temple. This will enable us to obey the revealed will more fully.*
  - In verse 11, what are we to ask for daily? \_\_\_\_\_  
*Did you notice the word 'US'. We are not only to ask for our own needs but for the needs of others as well. It is the Father that supplies this need.*
  - In verse 12, what are we to ask for? \_\_\_\_\_  
*The Son through the mercy and grace of God dispenses this forgiveness.*
  - In verse 13, since God never tempts us according to James 1:13, the word temptation means trial or testing. In our human nature, we ask the Father to spare us from this trial. What does the Scripture tells us to ask the Father to deliver us from? \_\_\_\_\_

*Jesus asked the Father to let the cup of trial and testing pass Him while He prayed in the garden. "But not my will but Thine be done" was His prayer. The Holy Spirit helps keep us from the evil one.*

## Day 5

- Read Luke 9:28-42 and answer the following questions:

- What happened to Jesus during His time of prayer?

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*Prayer was the cause and the result was transfiguration.*

- The next day, after the transfiguration of Jesus, a man came to Jesus to ask Him to do something for his child. What was it?

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- When Jesus was praying the night before, what were the disciples doing?

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- What did the father of the child that Jesus healed say about Jesus' disciples?

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- Do you think that the disciples were powerless because of a lack of prayer? \_\_\_\_\_

- Does this encourage you to pray more now than ever? \_\_\_\_\_

- Compare Matt 14:22-27 & Mark 6:45-50.

- Where did Jesus go to pray? \_\_\_\_\_

- What time of the day was it? \_\_\_\_\_

- Was He alone? \_\_\_\_\_

- After prayer, what was Jesus able to do in Matt 14:25? \_\_\_\_\_

- In John 6:1-15, Jesus has performed a miracle of multiplying five barley loaves and two small fishes in order to feed the crowd. When he perceived that they wanted to make Him King, what did Jesus do?

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*Jesus could very well have been tempted at this time to allow the crowd to make Him a reigning king. He needed to depart and get away to pray to His Father in order to resist this temptation.*

- When you come across temptation, do you go off alone and pray to our Father in order to resist sin?
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## Scriptures Memorization:

### Phil 4:6

I am not anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, I let my requests be made known to God.



# MANY VOICES BUT ONLY ONE IS GOD'S

## When the Lord Speaks

- God's thoughts are different from our thoughts. **Is 55:8-9**
  - He has a different perspective on the situations in our life.
  - In Fact, His solution may be entirely opposite of what you would do.
- His voice is in line with His Word, the Logos (written):
  - His voice never contradicts scripture.
  - **2 Cor 1:20** For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.
- God's voice has His character:
  - He is consistent, always the same.
  - God's voice doesn't whine, cry, nag, push, argue, yell, scream, it isn't mean, condemning or accusing.
  - God's voice is calm, still, quiet, soft, confident, kind, loving, merciful and gentle.
  - God exhorts, encourages and comforts.
    - **2 Cor 1:3-4** ....the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation.
  - Convicts us through the Holy Spirit of our sin and shows us the way to repentance and forgiveness.
    - **John 8:3** Woman found in adultery
- God's voice will produce good fruit.
  - If we are accurately hearing God's voice, our lives will reflect His fruit in them.
- Requires faith to wait & courage to hold your ground
  - **Ps 27:14** Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

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- Peace floods your soul.
    - Security in the midst of questions and turmoil
      - **John 14:27** Peace I leave with you...
    - Peace will umpire in your heart.
      - **Col 3:15** And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.
    - What does your heart say?
      - You will have peace in your heart.

- Confidence, assurance, and rest follow.
    - **Is 30:15** In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength.
  - The Lordship of Jesus Christ:
    - Satan and his demon hordes will not call Jesus Christ “Lord”.
    - **1 Cor 12:3** Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.
  - Confirmation
    - God always confirms His Words to you especially for guidance.
    - **2 Cor 13:1** This is the third time I am coming to you. In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.
  - He doesn't seem to speak very plain.
    - The reason is because the things that are very clear in the Word, we ignore and disobey them.
    - Therefore, He speaks in dark sayings so that you will have to search Him out and develop a relationship with Him in order to find out what He is saying.
  - God wants friendship so He appears distant.
    - He is playing hide and seek.
      - God wants relationship but we want results.
      - He wants to talk but we want a quick fix.
    - Friendship is the key to recognizing His voice
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## When the Devil and His Demonic Powers Speak

- Doubt, fear and discomfort
  - **2 Tim 1:7** For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.
  - **Rom 8:15** For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.
- Conflict, restlessness and no peace
  - **James 3:14** But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.
  - **Isa 48:22** There is no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked.
- Confusion:
  - Satan is the author of confusion
  - **James 3:16** For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.
- Satan causes you to place your eyes on yourself.

- His voice demands that you qualify for the task and this causes you to take your eyes off God and onto yourself.
- Lordship of Christ denied
  - **I Jn 4:3** And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.
- Condemnation
  - Satan brings up sins already confessed, forgiven, and forgotten by God.
    - **Rom 8:1** There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
  - **I Jn 3:20-21** For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.
- The Word of God is questioned.
  - **Gen 3:1** Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?
- Contradiction of God's Word
  - **Gen 3:4** And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:
- God's character is maligned.
  - **Gen 3:5** For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.
- It will appeal to the flesh.
  - **Gen 3:6** And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

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## When the Flesh/Self Speaks

- EMOTIONS—WHERE THE DEVIL OPERATES
- The soul realm is where the devil attacks you.
  - Every problem you have has to do with emotions.
    - Finances, marriage, body
    - May not even be REALITY.
    - Emotions don't know reality.
    - They only react to what my mind told them.
  - Emotions produce actions that the devil has designed to destroy us.
    - When we yield to our emotions, we enter into sin.

- **Rom 8:13** If you live after the flesh, you shall die.
- When you live in your emotions, you're in the flesh because the emotions are in the flesh realm.
- Bad emotions produce bad decisions → ruined life
  - Leads to doing things to make flesh feel better – ease the tantrum of the flesh.
- We must subject our emotions and senses for training to the Word of God.

## Emotional Freedom – Exempt from Control

- **Isa 26:3** Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.
  - We try to eliminate problems to get peace.
    - In the problem is an answer from God!
    - We must reach the place where our emotions become more stimulated by the Word than they are by circumstances and that our senses are willing to believe the Word in the absence of physical evidence.
  - Make decisions based on what the Word says not what our emotions want.
    - Even though your emotions are rising up on the inside of you, don't rise up in response to them.
    - Don't live to feel better—live to produce better (BETTER PRODUCE).
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## Clues When Your Flesh is Speaking

- Hesitation:
  - Self has to think before it speaks.
  - God's Word to us flows easily.
- Deception:
  - We can go astray with our own hearts since we do not fully understand ourselves.
  - We must feed on the Word until our heart is full of the **fruits of the spirit**.
    - **Jer 17:9-10** The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the **fruit** of his doings.
  - **Heb 5:12-14** ....are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat.
- Double-mindedness:
  - Wanting two opposite things at the same time results in instability
  - **James 1:8** A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.
    - We need to stay focus on Jesus and let Him take care of everything in our life.
  - **Matt 6:22-23** The light of the body is the eye.....If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!



- Unregenerated desires:
  - Our own voice speaking the same old desires that you use to indulge in.
  - **James 1:14-15** But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.
    - Such desires arise from the flesh and we must consider ourselves dead to those desires.
      - **Rom 6:6-7** Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin.

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### Questions for Class #6

1. How did God's voice come to you this week? Think about the things that happened. For example:
  - a. Do you remember a point in a sermon or teaching you heard that was highlighted for you?
  - b. Did a friend call you to encourage you?
  - c. Did a Bible verse jump out at you?
  - d. Did a flood of peace overwhelm you in a situation?
  - e. Did your inner spirit convey something to you from God?
  - f. Did God speak to you through a dream?
  
2. This week, were you able to tell the difference between the voice of the enemy and the voice of your flesh? Give examples of both.

## Homework for Class #6

### Day 1

- Read the section “When the Lord Speaks” and study all the scriptures.
- God desires to communicate spiritual feelings to your spirit in order to reveal His will to your mind. You will have an inward knowing. In 1 Cor 2:9-12-13, what does the Scripture tell us we possess in order to be told the things God desires for us to know?  
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- The fruits of the Spirit are not given by grace they are earned. The seeds of these fruits are given to your born again spirit upon your conversion, but you still have to allow them to grow and ripen in you. Look up the word character in the dictionary. What does it mean?  
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- According to James 3:17 the wisdom that comes from God is  
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\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
- God is full of only good fruits. He is of a good character. In Luke 6:43-45 what does a bad tree bear? \_\_\_\_\_ What does a good tree produce? \_\_\_\_\_ How can you tell if the voice you heard is God’s?  
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- In Mark 4:30-32 Jesus tells us that the Kingdom of God is like a  
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- When it is sown into the ground, what happens to it?  
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Who will nest in its shade? \_\_\_\_\_ (*Symbolically, birds mean people*)  
*The Kingdom of heaven is sown within us at salvation and it is to grow into a fruitful tree. That fruit is to feed the people of this earth.*
- In Gal 5:22-23, name the fruits of the Spirit.  
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- Can you see that the fruit developed in you is supposed to nourish others?  
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- Can you see that the fruit of God’s voice is to nourish us not condemn or hurt us?  
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### Day 2

- Read the section “When the Devil and His Demonic Powers Speak” and study the scriptures.
- Read Gal 1:6-9.

- Some people were perverting the gospel of Christ. What were they causing among the people according to verse 7? \_\_\_\_\_
- If you heard the voice of an angel preaching a different gospel than the one preached by Paul the Apostle, what should become of him? \_\_\_\_\_
- Would you say that this is the voice of evil demonic powers? \_\_\_\_\_

- The devil always wants to condemn us. Read John 8:1-11. What did Jesus say to the woman caught in adultery? \_\_\_\_\_

*Satan's voice will always make us feel like the scum of the earth. His voice will always say we are not good enough. His voice will tell us we are sinners and unworthy of the anything good from God.*

- How can we recognize demonic powers operating in our life and family? In I Jn 2:15-17 we are told not to love this world or anything in it. If we do, what does the scripture say is not in us? \_\_\_\_\_ When we listen to the world and the devil, what will be evidence in our lives according to verse 16? \_\_\_\_\_

- John 8:43-44 tells us that those who are listening to the enemy are being lied to. What does the scripture call the devil in these verses? \_\_\_\_\_

- According to Rev 12:10, when the devil speaks, what is the evident character trait in his words? \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 Cor 14:33 tell us that God is not the author of confusion. What does He bring in your heart? \_\_\_\_\_ When you find yourself in confused on an issue, who do you think could be stirring your soul? \_\_\_\_\_

### Day 3

- Read the section "When the Flesh/Self Speaks" and study the scriptures.
- Gal 5:19-21 gives us a clue as to the nature of our flesh when it speaks. What type of actions will the flesh cause us to fall into when it speaks to us?

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- According to Col 3:5-10, what are we to put to death? \_\_\_\_\_

- Eph 4:17-19 tells us that we are no longer to live as the unsaved. Our flesh will talk to us and tell us it's all right to live as the world lives because we live in this world.
  - What are the unsaved gentiles darkened in? \_\_\_\_\_

- What are they separated from?

○ What have they given themselves over to? \_\_\_\_\_  
*If these things speak to your flesh, we are to resist them with all that is in us by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

- In Rom 16:17-18, what were certain people causing among the brethren?

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They were not serving the Lord Jesus Christ. Who were they serving?

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*When we cause division and offenses, we are acting out of our own flesh. The voice of our flesh tells us to act this way because our flesh wants its own way.*

## Day 4

- Read the section “Emotional Freedom – Exempt from Control” and meditate on Isa 26:3.

- God has called His children to learn self-control. Our emotions have a voice that directs us and we need to learn to be at peace and not allow them to dictate our course in life. In 1 Pet 4:1-3, Peter gives us a way out of the temptation of being emotionally controlled.

- If our emotions rule us, sin will master us. What attitude did Peter have that we are to also adopt?

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- What do you think ‘since Christ suffered in his body’ means?

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- What are we not to live our earthly life going after?

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- What are we to go after in this earthly life?

- The Word of God tells us in 2 Tim 1:7 that God has not given us the spirit of fear but of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_  
*You have the spirit of self-control (sound mind) in you. God has given it to you. You can have emotional freedom. When the voice of your emotions rise up within you, don’t rise up with them. Control them by the power of the Holy Ghost. Speak peace to them.*

- Our thought life will dictate our future. In Isa 26:3-4, God tells us that He will keep our emotions peaceful. What will it take on our part to see this accomplished?

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- What does the scripture say we can have multiplied to us in 2 Pet 1:2?  
\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_. What does this passage tell us we need to increase this peace? \_\_\_\_\_ What knowledge do you think this is?

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*If you are having trouble with having a peaceful mind, we have the Word of God to go to in order to find the promise of peace given to us. The scriptures we need to meditate on to receive this peace are the ones specifically on ‘peace’. I encourage you to look up and meditate on these scriptures, and allow God to bring this knowledge to your heart.*

**Day 5**

- Read the section “Clues When Your Flesh is Speaking” and read all the scriptures.
  - Our flesh has a mind of its own. It wants to satisfy cravings whenever, wherever and with whomever it pleases. In Gen 6:5-6, the Lord was filled with pain in His heart. Why do you think that He was so grieved?
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- Your thought life will produce a harvest of either good or bad? When our flesh is out of control, which related to our thinking processes, we could end up like the people before the flood that hurt the heart of our God. In Ps 10:4, the wicked people had a prideful thought life. Who did they never think about? \_\_\_\_\_
- Food for Thought: Has God been in your thought life often or have you filled your thoughts with your next vacation or maybe how to make money, or how about just things to make life easy and more comfortable for yourself? Remember God desires for us to have fullness of life with Him as our main focus.
- What is your flesh supposed to be doing according to Ps 84:1-2?  
\_\_\_\_\_ and what should your soul long for? \_\_\_\_\_

**Scripture Memorization:****Rom 8:1**

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.



# YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES ARE SPEAKING TO YOU

## Sin and Neglecting God's Ways

- The Holy Spirit speaks to us through our trials for either sin or neglect of something important to God.
  - Malachi: Pest Economics
    - Mal 3:6-12 Neglected God's way to bless others
    - Pests were devouring their crops and investments were failing.
    - Severe conditions were a message from God.
    - They neglected the tithe so God withdrew his protection from their economic endeavors.
  - Joel: Invasion of the vegetation snatchers
    - **Joel 1:1-7** Pleasure seekers & drunkards
    - A locust invasion was used as a voice of God to the people to repent or a greater invasion would occur.
  - Haggai: People stopped the building of the temple
    - **Hag 1:6** The harder they worked, the less they had to show for it.
    - The people were not lazy, they were working hard building their own houses but neglecting God's house.
    - Their circumstances were telling them something. They were under a curse—pay attention to the things of God.

## Unpleasant and Common Events

- He can speak to us through unpleasant circumstances.
  - Do you ask God through these circumstances what He is trying to tell you?
  - Do you consider that unpleasant events are just part of life or do you analyze them to see if through them, God is trying to tell you something?
  - Many trials are prolonged because we don't realize that we're failing to hear God saying something to us.
- He speaks through common events.
  - **1 Sam 15:27-28** Saul & Samuel
  - Saul grabbed Samuel's robe and tore it.
  - If you are being drawn to a specific event in your life, be alert that God may be speaking to you through it.

## Observe Your Experiences

- Observe human experiences. Notice things of daily life.
    - **Ps 1:1** Notice that he 1<sup>st</sup> walks, 2<sup>nd</sup> stands, 3<sup>rd</sup> sits
    - Observe how God deals with you.
      - The Holy Spirit speaking to you repeatedly through your experiences.
    - God's voice is speaking to us through our experiences but most of us have trained ourselves to ignore it and go about our business as if He is not there.
      - Reflect, consider, meditate on scripture and come before God humbly asking for wisdom and understanding to apply the scripture.
        - **Matt 4:6** Jesus on the Mount of Temptation
        - Satan left out a part "to keep thee in all thy ways".
        - Jesus knew this was not the voice of His Father because He knew the Word.
        - It didn't line up with the Word in **Psalm 91:11**.
  - Every thought, intuition, speech, revelation, dream, vision, advice, perception, event, circumstance, experience must be censored by the Word of God.
    - If God is the one speaking to us, it'll pass the x-ray test of His Word.
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## God Allows Circumstances to Help Us Fly

- The Way of the Eagle:
  - **Deut 32:11** Catch the Way of the Wind of the Holy Spirit because He is drawing you up higher.
  - She will take sticks and branches to build her nest, down feathers from her own breast and other soft things like rabbit skins, etc. to make it soft.
  - Lays her eggs and broods over them until they hatch.
  - Little eaglets are born and all they do is have their little mouth opened to be fed.
    - Moving from baby stage to maturity.
    - The purpose of an eaglet is learning how to fly.
- An eagle stirs up her nest
  - Circumstances change on you
  - She takes her beak, pierces a hole in the nest, takes some of that soft stuff, pulls it out, and drops it 10,000 feet into the valley.
  - When mom is done, everything soft has been taken out of the nest.
- When your nest is stirred up, look out because the Holy Spirit is ready to do something.
  - The Holy Spirit is stripping things from you to make you feel uneasy in order to move you to the next level—to fly.



- God gives ability, gifts, anointing, vision, spiritual strength, drive, energy, time and He tells us to do something with it.
  - He stands on the side and stirs up the nest.
    - When God starts to stir up the nest, He's telling you that you've been there long enough.
    - When these times come, they seem like hard blows to your life.
    - When the nest is stirred, all God is going to do is take you higher and show you how to fly.
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## Come Up Higher

- No great men in the bible ever walked in greatness without having their nest stirred.
  - Moses at 40 years of age grabbed an Egyptian and killed him. He had a 40-year desert experience after that until it was his time to fly back to Egypt.
  - Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery for 13 years at which time he worked for Potifar. Potifar's wife accuses him of molesting her and he ends in prison. From there he became 2<sup>nd</sup> in charge of all of Egypt.
  - Samuel anointed David king but Saul wouldn't receive David. He hunted him down to kill him. David eventually became king of Israel.
  - Daniel was thrown in the lions den in his 90s.
- The Eagle flutters over her young
  - Flutter: hovers in mid-air as she catches the wind.
  - Only eagles have hollow bones and can ride the wind like no other bird.
  - Learn that the wind is your friend.
- **Prov 30:19** The way of an eagle in the air – a mystery
  - Master the air currents.
  - Learn the way of the wind.
  - **John 3:1-8** Nichodemus: Can't see the wind or which way it's coming from.
  - We are little eaglets trying to pick the direction of the wind and negotiate the wind in our life, which is the Holy Spirit.
- Learn to be sensitive to the blowing of the wind.
  - A powerful way God operates in our lives and we don't know how to respond to it.
  - Is God blowing on you?
  - Are you learning to follow the way of the wind?
  - The wind of the Holy Spirit is sensitive and we're not to grieve Him.
  - How does the Holy Spirit feel when He's been breathing on your life and He's been sending winds your way, sending opportunities and you're so caught up with security/a comfortable nest that you've become insensitive to His voice?

- **Luke 4:1-14** Jesus was full of the Holy Spirit going into the wilderness and came out with power.
    - What was in between the fullness of the Holy Spirit and the power of the Holy Spirit? **The wilderness!**
    - Sometimes in our circumstances, God is leading us into a wilderness experience in order to help us to fly higher in Him.
  - Learn to discern the circumstances, events and experiences in our life.
    - Is God speaking to us to “come up higher”?
    - Learn the way of the wind—learn the voice of the Spirit—He’s speaking to us in our daily events.
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### Class #7 Questions

1. Can you think of an event or situation in your life where God was trying to get your attention? What means did He use to speak to you? Did you make the necessary changes God wanted?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Has the Holy Spirit been blowing in your life? What direction is He moving you right now? Are you resisting or allowing Him to teach you to flow with Him?

### Class #7 Homework

#### Day 1

- Read the sections “Sin and Neglecting God’s Ways”, “Unpleasant and Common Events” and meditate on the Scriptures.
- Jonah was a man whom God had asked to do a task for Him. In Jonah 1:1-2, what did God ask him to do? \_\_\_\_\_
- In Jonah 1:3, what did Jonah do? \_\_\_\_\_
- While Jonah was at sea, what natural disaster was happening in 1:3?  
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- According to 1:7, who was responsible for this tempest?  
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- What happened to Jonah in 1:15-17?  
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- In 1:15, when they threw Jonah overboard, what happened to the sea?  
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- In Jonah 3:1-3, did he obey God? \_\_\_\_\_
- In 1:11-12, did Jonah take notice that he was the cause of this storm?  
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- Can you think of any storms in your life that you were responsible for? \_\_\_\_\_

And have you corrected your sin and asked God for forgiveness? \_\_\_\_\_

*Please keep in mind that not only can the bad things represent something that God is trying to get a hold of us on, but also the good things are representative of God's approval.*

## Day 2

- Read the section "Observe Your Experiences" and meditate the scriptures.
- God's ways are numerous to get our attention in the areas He desires us to change. He may bring someone along that tells you the story of someone else and how their life was altered negatively because of sin. We call this an allegory. Read the story about King David and Bathsheba in 2 Samuel 11.
- In 2 Sam 12:1-4, who sent Nathan the prophet to tell David a story? \_\_\_\_\_
  - The story that the prophet told David was an analogy, nevertheless, the Lord was trying to let David see his own sin. If this story relates to David, Uriah and Bathsheba, who do you think the rich man was?  
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  - Who do you think the poor man was? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Who do you think the little lamb was? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In verse 5-6, how did David react to this story? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What did Nathan the prophet tell David in verse 7? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What did David do in verse 13? \_\_\_\_\_
- Personal: Have you had an experience that led you to believe God was trying to get your attention regarding your actions? \_\_\_\_\_ Did you have reoccurring circumstances come before you that may have stirred your heart to make some changes in your life? \_\_\_\_\_ Did you repent and turn from your sinful ways? God is a gracious God and many times because of His long-suffering nature, He will gently draw your attention to your sin in order to spare you long-term grief.

## Day 3

- Read the section "God Allows Circumstance to Help Us Fly" and read Deut 32:1-14.
- What four things, according to Isa 40:28-31, will God do for those who hope in the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
- What does Gal 6:8-10 tell us not to become? \_\_\_\_\_

- What does verse 10 tell us to do to the believer and the unbeliever alike?

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*As we walk in and practice the fruits of the Spirit, we are growing in wisdom and stature. We are called by God to use the gifts, talents and the anointing He has given us to bless others. We are called to do good to others. This is hard at **times** because it stretches us to new heights but the rewards are out of this world. Dare to stretch yourself for others sake.*

- When circumstances in your life are attacking you ruthlessly and what are you suppose to do according to Luke 6:27-28 in order to fly higher in God?

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*God must confront 'in' you all the things that should not be there. He allows, in His wisdom, what He can easily prevent with His power.*

## Day 4 & 5

- Read the section "Come Up Higher" and meditate on the scriptures.
- God wants us to grow up and live in our inheritance. He is calling us to 'come up higher' and to join ourselves with Him in an effort to function in our authority. In 1 Cor 3:9, what three things are you to God? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
- Personal to think on: What does your garden look like? Is it hearty or sickly? Have you fertilized and watered it or just letting it tend itself? Are others able to pick its fruit to nourish themselves or does it look like it needs to be tilled under? How about your building? Is it built on a solid foundation or on sand? Is it strong or weak? Can people come in and obtain security in time of the tempests in their lives?
- According to Isa 5:7, who are the gardens of God's delight? \_\_\_\_\_ These men are God's chosen people. Would you consider yourself one of God's chosen people? \_\_\_\_\_ This makes you God's garden.
- The Song of Solomon is a book written by King Solomon about a Shulamite woman containing speeches of the King and a maiden. King Solomon represents Jesus and the maiden represents the church.
  - In Song of Solomon 4:12-15, who do you think is the 'garden enclosed'?
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  - What type of fruit does she bear? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What flows from her according to verse 15? \_\_\_\_\_
- Read John 4:6-14.
  - What type of water does Jesus give us? \_\_\_\_\_
  - According to verse 14, what will this water become for you?
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  - What do you think this water is? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Will this water keep your garden healthy and thriving? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Have you been drinking this water regularly? \_\_\_\_\_

*The garden within us must grow and take dominion over everything that tries to control our lives. Our garden is to be like the Garden of Eden before the fall of man. Adam was told to take dominion over everything on earth. We can only do*

*this as our garden is tended and made to grow strong, by being watered with the Word of God. We are not only to make sure our garden is tended properly, we are to pull the weeds out of other people's garden also.*

**Scripture Memorization:**

**Song of Solomon 4:16**

Awake, north wind, and come, south wind! Blow on my garden that its fragrance may spread abroad and let my lover come into His garden and taste its choice fruits.



# PERCEPTIONS, IMPRESSIONS, MIRACLES, SIGNS & AN AUDIBLE VOICE

## Many Ways But Only Three Experiences

- The Lord speaks by many different ways/avenues but He uses three (3) experiences:
  - Quickenings: Make alive or give vitality
    - All of the Lord's Words must be quickened by the Holy Spirit.
    - Quickenings happen when you hear a story, etc. and all of a sudden it connects with your personal life. The Spirit says, "Listen, I'm talking to you".
    - **1 Cor 6:17** We are one spirit with the Lord.
  - Revelation: Disclose, reveal, make manifest, appear, to lighten, bring to light
    - A sudden awareness of the Lord's Presence or Word
    - A deeper understanding
    - As soon as your spirit receives the revelation, it downloads it to your mind.
  - Discernment:
    - **Heb 5:13-14** For anyone who continues to live on milk (Phi) does not know what is right (NEB) he simply has not grown up (Phi). But 'solid food' is for Christians of mature faith (TCNT) that is, for those who through constant practice have their spiritual faculties carefully trained (Wey) to discriminate between what is good and what is bad for him (Phi).
    - As a baby grows, he comes off milk and needs meat to grow strong and healthy.
    - This world has many inputs into your life. By putting in the Word daily, we are able to discern the healthy stuff from the poison. We are able to discern good from evil.
    - The Holy Spirit and the Word in your spirit will tell you that there is deception in what is being said.
    - When you hear a deceptive voice, your spirit will pick it up quickly.
    - The Word separated you TO the Truth and deception won't settle in.
    - If you're only separated from something and not also TO the Word, you'll fall for anything.
    - The Word of God, where your hearing is concerned, will separate you from wrong hearing into a position you can hear from God and know it's the Holy Spirit.

## Perceptions

- Become aware of through the senses; taste, touch, hear, smell, see; apprehend with the mind; to come to understanding; to know intuitively or experientially.

- **Mark 2:8** And immediately when *Jesus perceived in his spirit* that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, why reason ye these things in your hearts?  
Man sick with palsy who they lowered from the roof
  - **Acts 14:9** The same heard Paul speak: who steadfastly beholding him, and *perceiving* that he had faith to be healed,
    - Paul heals a crippled man at Lystra and the people thought he and Barnabas were gods.
  - **Luke 9:47** And Jesus, *perceiving* the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by him...  
The disciples wondering who would be the greatest among them
  - **Matt 22:17-18** Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not? But Jesus *perceived* their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites?
  - **1 Sam 3:8** And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And Eli *perceived* that the LORD had called the child.
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## Impressions

- Similar to notions, inklings, influence, profound effect produced on the mind, a design produced by pressure, an imprint or mark by pressure.
  - **Song 1:4** Draw me, we will run after thee.
  - **John 6:44** No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him:
    - Being impressed by a certain book of the Bible to read during devotions or maybe a notion to read a devotional book
    - Maybe a sense to read a certain chapter and verse to find out it was just what you needed to hear from the Lord.
    - You know when an impression is upon your heart much like a steer knows when the impression of the hot iron has touched his body.
- **Neh 7:5** And my *God put into mine heart* (*impressed upon my heart*) to gather together the nobles, and the rulers, and the people, that they might be reckoned by genealogy. And I found a register of the genealogy of them which came up at the first, and found written therein,
  - It wasn't the audible voice of God but an influence put upon his heart.
  - He realized that it was God, and not himself, who wanted this done. It was God, who had placed this desire in his heart.
- **John 13:2** And supper being ended, the devil having now *put into the heart* of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;



- Satan impressed upon Judas a thought to betray Jesus.
- He does the same to us. It's his avenue of deception.
- **Exodus 35:21-22** Those whose *hearts were stirred*/prompted by God's Spirit returned with their offerings...all as their heart prompted them.
- But God can also impress upon our hearts the things He desires of us.

## Miracles

- Jesus turns water into wine.
    - **John 2:1-11** He is Lord over nature.
  - All the miracles He did
    - He is LORD who delivers.
  - The ax floating on the top of the water.
    - **II Ki 6:5-6** Elisha made an axe head float.
  - **John 14:12** Greater works will we do.
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## Signs

- After Pentecost, signs were generally given to those not seeking them.
- **Acts 1:24-26** The last supernatural sign in the Bible was when the Apostles were choosing lots to see who would replace Judas.
  - After this, the signs came unexpectedly.
  - **Acts 9:3-6** Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus
  - The desire for a sign is usually because of unbelief—motivated by a lack of faith.
  - **Matt 12:38-39** Scribes and Pharisees asking for a sign
    - They needed to obey the part they did know instead of looking for the part that God has hidden from them.
    - We need to learn to walk with Him step by step in faith instead of pressing Him to unfold for us His entire plan for our lives at one time.
  - Signs are given as a confirmation not a contradiction to the Word.
- The signs given were for the proclamation of the Gospel not every day affairs.
  - Common sense usually takes the place of supernatural signs
  - Wisdom in disguise/common sense = signs
- Fleece is a comfortable way to get our soul satisfied.
  - Making a contract with God on your terms.
  - You asking God to answer your way not His.
- **Judges 6:39-40** Gideon's fleece was asked for with great respect
  - **He paid a price for it.** It was not without consequence.
  - Gideon had to cut his army down to 300.

- Fleeces suggest a flexible part of God’s nature but in reality, we need to be the flexible ones.
  - It suggests that we’re testing God to see how far He will bend.
  - God will allow this method for a season but He wants us to grow up and grow out of this type of relationship with Him.

## An Audible Voice

- Hearing someone’s voice forms a personal connection to him or her.
  - **Song of Solomon 2:14** The lover longs to hear His beloved’s voice.
  - Jesus’ voice is sweet to His followers as well.
- Even though knowing a persons voice may give us more information about them or draw us closer to them, God’s voice may cause uncertainty.
  - **Deut 4:12** No form only a voice
  - **John 12:28-29** Thunder or an angel’s voice
- The voice of the Lord is majestic
  - **Is 30:30** Glorious voice (splendor/majesty in Greek)
- His voice may stir up great fear.
  - **Deut 5:26** Who has heard the voice and lived?
  - **Ezek 43:2** Voice was like a noise of many waters...
  - **Heb 12:19** The sound of a trumpet
  - **2 Sam 22:14** The Lord thundered from heaven....
  - **Job 37:2** Raging thunder/crash
  - **Ps 18:13** The Lord also thundered in the heavens...
  - **Exod 19:15-20** There were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled.
- The clearer the revelation, the harder the task.
  - Notice those who heard the voice of God audibly.
    - Jesus, Moses, Ezekiel, Samuel, Job, Peter, James, John

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### Class #8 Questions

1. During the course of this study, think of a way that God has spoken to you either by a perception, an impression, through a miracle, a sign or maybe you've had the privilege of hearing His audible voice. Will each person share their experience with the class?
  
2. Can you think of a time when the Holy Spirit impressed something upon your heart? What was it and did you follow through on His request?

### Class #8 Homework

#### Day 1

- Read the section "Many Ways But Only Three Experiences" and study the scriptures.
- In Gal 2:1-2, what prompted Paul to respond to preach the gospel in Jerusalem?  
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- According to Eph 1:17, what does Paul ask God to give to His body? \_\_\_\_\_  
Why? \_\_\_\_\_
- In Gal 1:15-17, who gave Paul the revelation about who Jesus Christ was?  
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- In Matt 11:25-27, who gives the revelation of who the Father is? \_\_\_\_\_
- On the day Jesus was to be circumcised, there was a man in the temple called Simeon that was told he would not die until he laid his eyes on Jesus the Messiah. According to Luke 2:21-26, who revealed to him that Jesus was the Christ? \_\_\_\_\_
- Read Matt 16:13-17. Who gave Peter the revelation that Jesus was the Christ, the coming Messiah? \_\_\_\_\_  
*According to the above verses, all three persons of the Godhead are jointly active in giving you revelation or revealed knowledge from the Holy Scriptures. Once that revelation is given, it requires a response on your part—to rise up and take action.*
- According to John 6:63, who is the one who quickens and gives life to the Word of God? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you acquainted with Him?

- The words judgment, insight, approve and understanding, also mean discernment. According to Phil 1:9-11, Paul desired for the Philippian church to abound in love, knowledge and \_\_\_\_\_.
- When you are filled with discernment, according to Phil 1:11, what are you filled with? \_\_\_\_\_
- The children of Israel went whoring after other gods. According to Deut 32:28, what were the children of Israel void of? \_\_\_\_\_ Has there been anything in your life you could consider a god that would cause you to be void of discernment? *Remember, anything elevated above the Lord is a god in your life. Anything more important than God is a god in your life.*

## Day 2

- Read the section “Perceptions” and study the scriptures.
- With the fact in mind that the word perceive also means aware and a knowing, in John 6:9-15, Jesus fed a great multitude of people with five barley loaves and two small fishes. After this great miracle, they wanted to make Him king and so He departed into the mountains alone. How did Jesus know they wanted to make Him king? \_\_\_\_\_
- In Matt 16:5-12, Jesus was telling his disciples to beware of the teachings of the Pharisees and the Sadducees. His disciples didn’t understand and thought Jesus was talking about physical bread. In verse 8, how did Jesus know they were confused?  
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- Perceive means to grasp, realize, understand, discern, be familiar with, distinguish and observe. Learning to perceive God’s voice is vital to living a successful Christian life. Look up the word perceive in the dictionary for more descriptions.  
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- Read Matt 22:15-22.
  - What were the Pharisees planning against Jesus (vs. 15)? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In verse 16, what did they call Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What did they say that Jesus taught? \_\_\_\_\_
  - If you didn’t read verse 15, would your conclusion be that they appeared interested in Jesus’ thoughts in a genuine way? \_\_\_\_\_
  - How did Jesus know they were wicked and tried to trap him in His words?  
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*Jesus knew experientially that the Pharisees were against His teaching. When you have experienced something from the past and it happens again to you, you are able to perceive with your physical senses whether it is good or evil. It becomes very familiar to you.*

- According to Luke 20:19-25, what were the chief priests and scribes trying to do to Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In verse 23 how did Jesus figure out what they were up to? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Do you think that as you perceive the enemies tricks in your life, you will be able to spring those traps without being caught in them? \_\_\_\_\_

**Day 3**

- Read the section “Impressions” and study the scriptures.
  - Look up the words impression and impress in the dictionary. Write down the definitions that you are impressed upon to contemplate on.  
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  - In 2 Chr 36:22-23, who stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persian to rebuild a temple in Jerusalem? \_\_\_\_\_  
*God will impress things upon your heart to do for Him. You will get these impressions or inklings to do something that will benefit others.*
  - The devil can do the same thing. In I King 21:25-26, who impressed upon Ahab to work wickedness in the sight of the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_ She was a very wicked woman conspiring with Satan.
  - Have you ever found yourself with a strong impression of evil towards someone?  
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  - Did you come against it with the word of God or did you give in to it?  
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  - In Matt 26:6-13, a certain woman named Mary came and anointed Jesus’ head with oil while He was at Simon, the leper’s, house.
    - What reason did Jesus use for this good act in verse 12? \_\_\_\_\_
    - Do you think God may have impressed upon Mary’s heart to anoint Jesus for His coming death? \_\_\_\_\_
    - Do you find it interesting, that only one among them had the impression to do this kind act? \_\_\_\_\_
    - Since there are many Mary’s mentioned in the Bible, go to Luke 10:38-42 to discover which one it was. In this passage, where do you find Mary?  
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    - What was she doing? \_\_\_\_\_
- As you spend quality time with Jesus, He will be the one who forms impressions of good upon your heart.*

**Day 4**

- Read the sections “Miracles & Signs” and study the scriptures.
- God speaks to us through miracles, signs and wonders. Jesus performed many miracles during His time on earth. His disciples continued these miracles after His death to draw people to Jesus. What are some of the miracles, signs and wonder we are to perform in behalf of Jesus? See Mark 16:14-18 for your answer.  
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- What did the disciples ask the Lord for in Acts 4:29-31?  
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- In John 14:12, what are we expected to do even more than Jesus?  
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- According to Isa 8:18, what does Isaiah say he and his children are given by God for?  
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*We are to be signs. We are to be living epistles known and read of all men. We are the carriers of the wonders of God.*

- What will happen to the world if we are not carriers of God's wonders? See Isa 8:19.  
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*If we are not moving in signs, wonders and miracles, people will go to mediums and fortunetellers instead of the living God. This is what we must reach for.*

## Day 5

- Read the sections "An Audible Voice" and study the scriptures.
- We need to be open to the different ways God speaks to us. Every relationship we have is based on communication. Lack of communication = lack of relationship.
- In Ps 29, what is God's voice like?  
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*God's voice is so powerful that it created the heavens and the earth.*

- Read Genesis 1 and highlight in your Bible every time God spoke (God said... God called...).
- Read John the Apostle's account of seeing and hearing Jesus in Rev 1:10-20. How did John react when he heard Jesus' voice? \_\_\_\_\_
- Ezekiel has a heavenly encounter in the throne room of God in Ezekiel chapter 1. Read Ezek 1:25-28. What happened to Ezekiel when he saw and heard God?  
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*The voice of God is a majestic voice. When Jesus spoke as a human being, His voice was like ours. However, when He speaks with His glorified body voice, it is majestic.*

## Scripture Memorization:

### Mark 16:17-18

And these signs shall follow me as I believe; In Jesus name I shall cast out devils; I shall speak with new tongues; I shall take up serpents; and if I drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt me; I shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

## MYSTERIES REVEALED IN VISIONS

### God Speaks in Five Different Ways

- Number 12:1-8
  - Dream: The least interference with the conscious mind.
    - A window into our heart
  - Vision: Our mind is active but the Holy Spirit is in charge.
  - Direct speech: mouth to mouth
    - Dark speech: 2420 *Chidhah*; parables, riddle, proverb, trick, maxim (brief statement of a general principle, truth or rule of conduct)
    - **Judges 14:12-19** Samson's riddle
    - Something hard to decipher without inside information
  - Similitude: 8544 *timunah*: it is something shaped, a fashioning, a form, an appearance, an image, a phantom, an embodiment, a manifestation, a likeness.
- **Num 12:8** Moses witnessed a manifestation of God's glory when He passed by.

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### What is a Vision?

- Definition: Redemptive revelation; an experience of the sight; it is a literal, spiritual or physical happening; it is not a product of the mind, imagination or logic.
- There are two kinds of vision: internal & external
  - Internal: Seen with the inner eye: If you wake up from a dream and you cannot tell whether it is real or not, you probably had a vision.
    - Something/picture that has been revealed to you by God that came up on your soul from your spirit and you got an image of it in your mind.
    - **Acts 10:10** Peter's vision of the unclean animals
    - **Acts 16:9** And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, come over into Macedonia, and help us.
  - External:
    - Co-existing spiritual realm
    - **2 Kings 6: 15-17** Elisha's servant who saw the Syrian army and God opened his eyes to see the army of God.
    - Seeing angels and demons
    - **Acts 12:9** Peter's vision
    - Why did Peter think he saw a vision?

- Because the vision he had in the past seemed real.
  - **Acts 10:3-7** An angel appears to Cornelius in a vision.
  - **Acts 23** Jesus appears to Paul to encourage him.
  - Open heaven
    - Seeing an open heaven and the throne of God
    - **Acts 7:56** Steven saw an open heaven.
    - Paul's vision/trance of Jesus on the road to Damascus
    - See Jacob's Dream: **Gen 28:12-19**
  - Realm of the future
    - **Dan 10:1-7** Future events
    - John in the Book of Revelation
  - A vision within a Dream
    - Visions come veiled in a dream
      - **Dan 4:9** O Belteshazzar, ..... tell me the *visions of my dream* that I have seen, and the interpretation thereof.
      - **Is 29:7** And the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel, even all that fight against her and her munition, and that distress her, shall be as *a dream of a night vision*.
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## Where Do Visions Come From?

- When a man has a vision, it comes from the heart.
- The heart is the Key: God's workshop
- Swinging door between physical and spiritual realm
  - When the Word of God takes root in your heart, it gives birth on the inside of you and becomes a part of you.
  - The Holy Spirit will correct our wrong thinking and attitude through a vision/trance experience.
- **Acts 10:10-22** Peter and the "unclean animals to eat" vision
- Throw open the window of your heart and receive the sound of heaven!
  - Your conscience is like a window between soul and spirit.
  - Make sure nothing is clouding your conscience.

## What is the Purpose of Visions?

- **Num 12:6** It is God's way of making Himself known to us.
- Visions are God's picture language.
  - They are more literal than a dream.



- **Acts 2:17** Young men having visions; young are not as seasoned as the old and therefore, since visions are more literal, they are much easier to understand.
  - Old men see dreams; more seasoned person can understand dreams since they are more metaphoric and symbolic.
  - Visions can carry an emotional and spiritual impact that dreams will not carry.
    - God etches it in your mind
    - Dreams can disappear—they're fleeting
  - God's presence was with Moses but His presence is IN us!!!
    - How can our power be less than Moses?
    - If Moses could deliver millions, we can do more.
  - The Lord has a vision and He is pouring out his vision and His dream on His people.
  - Every believer should be having visions and every Christian should be having dreams.
  - He is removing the scales of unbelief from our eyes so that we can have dream & vision experiences.
  - We must not stay babies. We are called to grow and enlarge our territory.
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## How Can I Receive Visions?

- You must grow some roots.
- You must plant water on the inside of your heart.
  - Get the water of the Word of God, and plant it in your heart and stay in it.
  - **STAY, STAY, STAY IN THE WATER**
  - Eventually you'll grow roots.
  - Those roots will spring forth and come up and out in the form of visions.
- God is achieving His vision, dreams and plans through people whose hearts He has touched, and who are embracing His purposes; those who burn so intensely for Him that they don't want to live for anything else but to see God's will done on this earth in their lives and to be actively involved in it.
- God has always been looking for people whom He could fulfill His plan through.
- **Joel 2:28** And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:
- Read the accounts of the visions received by Daniel, John, Isaiah & Ezekiel and allow God to give you understanding of visions through their visions.

## Class #9 Questions

1. Have you ever had a vision?
2. Can you remember the details and were you able to understand the meaning?
3. What kind of a vision have you experienced in the past, and how did it make you feel?
4. If you have never had a vision, would you be open to having one? If you are, you need to verbalize this to the Lord and allow Him to open up the heavenly realm to you.

## Class #9 Homework

### Day 1

- Read all the notes for this week's lesson, and pick one vision scripture and meditate on it today. See what the Lord will speak to you and write it down.

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### Day 2

- In the next few days, we will be looking at a number of visions and taking them apart to study them. We will determine the reason for these visions.
- Read 1 Sam 3:1-15.
  - What time in Samuel's life did he have a God encounter? \_\_\_\_\_
  - During this time of Eli's priesthood, were there any open visions? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Where was Samuel living at this time (vs. 3)? \_\_\_\_\_
  - How many times did God call Samuel? \_\_\_\_\_
  - *This shows us that God is very persistent in getting our attention*
  - What was Samuel doing when he saw the vision? \_\_\_\_\_
  - When Samuel had the vision, where was the Lord (vs. 10)? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What was the purpose of the vision? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Would you say the meaning to this vision was very clear or symbolic? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What did Samuel call this God encounter in verse 15? \_\_\_\_\_

*This passage shows us that God is no respecter of persons. You can have visions at any age. We only need to be as humble as a child and minister to the Lord. This vision was to announce judgment.*

### Day 3

- Read Ezekiel Chapter 1 and Chapter 2:1 and let us look at some characteristics of Ezekiel's vision.
- In Ezek 1:1, where was Ezekiel looking when the visions came? \_\_\_\_\_
- Go to Col 3:1-2, where are you to set your affections? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What things are you to be seeking? \_\_\_\_\_
- According to John 5:19-20, whose works was Jesus doing? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Who was Jesus' eyes focused on? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Since Jesus' eyes were focused on heaven, what did the Father show Him? \_\_\_\_\_
- Stephen was the first disciple to be martyred. According to Acts 7:54-60, where was he looking when he saw the vision? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What did he see in the vision? \_\_\_\_\_
- In Ezek 1:1, where was Ezekiel at the time of the vision? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Would you say these creatures, which he saw, were heavenly or evil? \_\_\_\_\_
- What happened to Ezekiel when he heard the Lords' voice according to Ezek 1:28? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did Ezekiel see the vision in black & white or color? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did Ezekiel hear other things besides the Lords voice during this vision? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Would you conclude that Ezekiel's eyes were opened or closed? \_\_\_\_\_

*God tells us to keep our focus on Him and things that pertain to heaven. Through this process, we will be able to see Him more clearly as we become intimately acquainted with Him. This vision was a message to a rebellious people.*

### Day 4

- Read Daniel Chapter 10. This chapter is about the famous Daniel fast and the vision God gave him concerning the captivity of the Israelites. Where was Daniel looking when he saw the angel (vs.4)? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In verses 5-6, describe this being.
    - His clothing \_\_\_\_\_
    - His loins \_\_\_\_\_
    - His body \_\_\_\_\_
    - His face \_\_\_\_\_
    - His eyes \_\_\_\_\_
    - His arms & feet \_\_\_\_\_
    - His voice \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did the others with Daniel see the vision? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What was the reaction in verse 7 of the others around Daniel? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In verse 9, as soon as Daniel heard the voice of this angel, what happened to him? \_\_\_\_\_

- According to verse 14, why did the angel come?

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*This vision was to reveal truth. God will give us revelation through visions. He will give us understanding into the scriptures that we are meditating upon.*

## **Day 5**

- Read Matthew 17:1-13 regarding Jesus' transfiguration.

- Where was Jesus and his three disciples? \_\_\_\_\_
- Describe what Jesus looked like in verse 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- Who appeared from heaven? \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_
- What were these individuals doing? \_\_\_\_\_
- While all this was going on, what overshadowed them? \_\_\_\_\_
- What was the reaction of the disciples? \_\_\_\_\_
- What did Jesus call this experience (KJV)? \_\_\_\_\_

*These three disciples were the closest to Jesus. As you become intimate with Jesus, you too can have revelation through such visions. Visions do happen today to those who seek after God with all their heart. This vision was to reveal who Jesus was to His disciples.*

## **Scripture Memorization**

### **2 Cor 12:1**

I will come to visions and revelations from the Lord. "Holy Spirit come and let me experience your heavenly visions through my spiritual senses."

# DREAMS

## GOD'S NIGHT PARABLES

### Why Through Dreams?

- The least interference with the conscious mind
  - A window into our heart – It can reveal our own hearts to us.
  - In sleep through the portal of the subconscious, God can enter to change a heart in conscious rebellion.
- Soul dreams also allow fears to surface in order to be dealt with.
  - Shaded gray type of dreams
- A deception from the enemy to steer us in the wrong direction.
  - Not only does God use this method of communicating with us, but this method is also used by the demonic realm.
  - This is why we must bring all our dreams under the scrutiny of the Holy Spirit for interpretation.
- **Job 33:14-18** For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not.
  - Whether awake or asleep God wants to instruct and counsel us.
- Since Abraham, God has spoken to man through dreams & visions
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Dream: **Genesis 15:12-17** Told about 400 years of captivity for the Hebrews
- God warns, guides, instructs, confirms and converses by way of symbolism in your dreams.
- There are 224 references to dreams or visions in the entire Word of God
  - There are over 50 references for messages being sent by God through dreams and visions to both the saved and unsaved.
  - One third of Scripture recounts or relates to a dream or vision.

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- I believe most dreams are indeed meaningful and helpful.
- **Ecc 5:1-7** For a dream comes through the multitude of business;
- Most dreams are from God and are accurate reflections of our individual situations.
  - But they are symbolic and appear meaningless.
  - Jesus told stories in parable form and He gives us dreams in parable form also.

## Purpose for Dreams

- God guides His children by dreams.  
Dreams are one of God's chosen method of communication.
  - A dream is a release of revelation/illumination that comes at a time when your body is at peace and our soul/conscious mind is at rest.
  - God can now speak to our human spirit/subconscious mind.
    - He communicates with us at the spirit level.
  - Dreams and visions are picture letters.
    - Every detail in the dreams and visions are important parts of the overall message.
    - A single picture contains many elements.
    - Each element tells part of the overall story.
    - There are no unimportant elements.
  - **Ps 16:7** I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.
    - Our Lord loves us so much He desires for us to have a successful Christian walk. Because of this, He'll instruct us through dreams.
  - There are five separate listings in the New Testament of dreams and vision that foretold the birth of Jesus.
  - God's MO (method of operation) is the same now as it was 6000 years ago.
    - **Heb 13:8** Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever.
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## Types of Dreams: God Dreams, Soul Dreams & Demonic Dreams

### God Dreams

- Warning Dreams
  - For me or someone else to warn of impending danger or to correct me from making a grave mistake.
  - Gen 20:3 God warned Abimelech that he was flirting with death by taking Abraham's wife—"you're a dead man".
  - **Matt 2:12** Wise men warned not to return to Herod
- Teaching Dreams
  - Jesus taught Peter in a dream that being prejudice against the gentiles was wrong and that He wanted them saved.
- Prophetic Dreams
  - **Gen 37:5** Joseph had a dream as a young lad that he would one day save his people.

- Even though the shortest distance between two points is a straight line, with God it's usually a wild rabbit trail that winds around and seems to go nowhere.
  - As with Joseph, with such a powerful dream came many trials and testings to prepare him for the call he had.
  - The season of delay may be very distasteful and agonizing but very needful to prepare us for the opportunity.
  - Our character is formed in those divine delays.
- **Gen 40:5** God foretold the future of the butler and the baker.
- Ministry Dreams
  - Peter, by a dream, was sent to the gentiles (unclean animals).
  - Sent to Cornelius' house
- Futuristic Revelation Dreams
  - **Dan 2:19** Nebuchadnezzar had a dream that Daniel interpreted. God revealed a great future event that would effect all creation.
    - The great image
  - **Gen 41:8** Pharaoh was given a dream by God, which foretold of a great disaster to come upon the land.
    - This was a double dream.
  - **Dan 7:1** Daniel's dream and visions of beasts (future kingdoms)
- Instruction Dreams
  - **Gen 31:10** God showed Jacob in a dream how he would increase his herd of cattle.
  - **Gen 31:24** God warned Laban the Syrian not to talk to Jacob in an angry voice.
  - **Matt 2:13** Joseph warned to take Mary and Jesus to Egypt.
- Encouraging Dreams:
  - **Gen 28: 12** Jacob's Dream – I will bless you and keep you

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## Soul Dreams

- **Jer 23:32** Behold, I am against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their lightness;
- **Jer 14:14** Then the LORD said unto me, The prophets prophesy lies in my name: I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them: they prophesy unto you a false vision and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.
- Some may come from our own carnal minds attempting to lead us away from God's principles and precepts.
  - The flesh wants its own way and will try to persuade you to do what it wants not what God wants.

- **Deut 13:1-3** If someone tells you to go after other gods (your soul dream can do this), the Lord may be testing you to see if you love Him with all your heart.
  - Soul dreams can come from wounds and hurts from the past.
    - If you have a reoccurring dream, it could mean that you're still not healed in that area yet and God wants to do a healing.
    - These soul dreams are meant to help you heal by causing the incident to become less traumatic as you go over and over it again in a dream.
    - At first, the dream will cause the experience to be magnified in your emotions. Nevertheless, God is gracious to allow these wounds to be exposed so that we can be healed from them.
  - **Ps 64:6** They search out iniquities; they accomplish a diligent search: both the inward thought of every one of them, and the heart, is deep.(KJV)  
It'll take some digging deep by the Holy Spirit to expose the wound.
  - Warning: Be careful not to depend totally on dreams because if it is a soul dream and you think it's from God, you can be lead astray by you incorrect interpretation.
    - **Prov 28:26** He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.
    - We need to be led by the Spirit of God through personal prayer and the study of His Word.
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## Demonic Dreams

- **Zech 10:2** For the idols have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams;
- If you are having nightmares that are causing fear, anxiety, and terror, it is probably not from God but rather from the soul or you may have allowed demonic influences to penetrate your mind.
  - Question: What have you allowed your mind to feed on? TV, movies, books, etc.
  - Once thoughts have been planted in your mind, the spirit of fear and other demonic spirits can come to torment and harass you.
- Only God's Word and His Blood can release you from these harassing, fearful dreams.
- If your dream is demonic in nature (not necessarily a nightmare), God may be moving you to a new level of warfare or giving you a warning that the enemy is trying to take ground from you.
- Take all dreams to God in prayer to find out what he wants you to do with them.



## Unlocking Your Dreams

- You will quickly learn the difference between your soul dreams and God dreams as you understand the symbols reappearing in your dreams.
- Remember, God will not contradict His Word. Our soul dreams express our soul's desires and happenings.
- **Mark 4:22-25** ..... And He said to them, be careful what you are hearing. The measure of thought and study you give to the truth you hear will be the measure of virtue and knowledge that comes back to you and more besides will be given to you who hear.
- Revelation and understanding are hidden from unbelievers and the enemy but not us.
- If you want to understand your dreams, you must give careful study and thought to your dreams.
  - You must strive for understanding.
- Discernment is the KEY!
- We must NEVER base our life decisions on soulish dreams because our enemy can dislodge us from our destiny in God.
- Some Keys to discern our dreams:
  - 1) Is the message in the dream consistent with the teachings, character and nature of God?
  - 2) Does the message lead to righteousness?
  - 3) Is the message consistent with doctrine and principles of God?
  - 4) Are you impacted by your dream--a stirring in your spirit?
  - 5) Does the dream cause you to search your soul and inner motives?
  - 6) Does the dream continue to come and point to the same area in your life that you know you must deal with?
- Since symbolism is God's picture language, use symbols in the Bible to interpret your dream.
- Hasty dream interpretation should be avoided.

- Reduce the dream to its simplest form.
  - What is the main thought?
  - What object or thought occurs most often?
  - What is your sense and feelings from the dream? Good or evil?
  - What was the primary emotion?
- Create a dream journal; write your dreams down and then pray over them.
  - By writing them down, you might notice that there is a succession of dreams in a row that tell a story.
- **Job 33:14** For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not.
- Include the date of your dream , where you dreamed it and the time.

## Three Characteristics to Hear God's Voice

(Surprised by the Voice of God by Jack Deere)

- **Availability:** Jesus was always available to His Father God.
  - Jesus never took the attitude of trying to find time to fit fellowship with God into His busy schedule.
  - God the Father owned His day.
- **Willingness:**
  - Spiritual discernment is based on our willingness to do God's will.
  - **John 7:16-17** If you are willing to do God's will, you'll know what He says.
  - Could God refrain from speaking to us because He knows we will not obey therefore, causing us to fall into the sin of disobedience?
- **Humility:**
  - Definition of Humility: **1 Sam 15:17** "You were once small in your own eyes..."
  - Doesn't mean being worthless, no ability or good qualities.
  - It means, that we have a profound distrust of our own abilities and goodness.
  - We have a profound confidence in the mercy of God rather than in man's efforts.
  - A truly humble person knows that no matter how great their abilities or their character, they can do nothing apart from Christ.
  - They are willing to serve people of lower position than themselves.
  - **Ps 138:6** God is intimate with the humble and keeps at arms length the prideful.

### Book List:

Hearing the Master's Voice - Robert Jeffress  
Exploring the World of Dreams - Benny Thomas  
101+ Ways God Speaks - Sandy Warner  
Surprised by the Voice of God - Jack Deere  
Dreams and Visions - Jane Hamon  
Parables in the Night Seasons - Joy Parrott  
When God Speaks - Chuck Pierce and Rebecca Wagner Sytsema  
Dream Interpretation - Herman Riffel  
Understanding the Dreams you Dream - Ira Milligan  
Symbolic Meanings of Colors - Rose Crownover  
The Symbolic Meanings of Numbers - Rose Crownover  
Dreams, God's Chosen Method of Communication - Howard O. Pittman  
Interpreting the Symbols and Types - Kevin J. Conner  
The Voice of God – Cindy Jacobs

## Class #10 Questions

- 1) Will you share with the class a dream that you recently had and it's interpretation?
  
- 2) How has this study course affected you?

## Class #10 Homework

### Day 1

- Review all the notes and read all the scriptures. Pick out one scripture and meditate on it. Ask God to show you something significant in it.

### Day 2

- Read Matthew Chapters 1 & 2 regarding the birth of Jesus
  - How many dreams did you find in these two chapters? \_\_\_\_\_
- Read Matt 1:20-25.
  - Who appeared to Joseph in a dream? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Why did the angel come to him? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did he obey this instruction? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did it seem odd to Joseph to have this kind of encounter or do you think Joseph considered this commonplace for God to communicate in this fashion?  
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- Read Matt 2:11-12.
  - How did God speak to the wise men/Magi? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What kind of a dream was it? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did they take this dream seriously? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What did they do? \_\_\_\_\_
- Read Matt 2:13-18.
  - After the wise men departed, how did God again speak to Joseph? \_\_\_\_\_
  - How long was he to be in Egypt? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did Joseph obey? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In verse 16, what did Joseph avoid because he obeyed his dream?  
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- Read Matt 2:19-21.
  - What fashion did God communicate to Joseph? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did this angel ever appear while Joseph was awake? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Have you ever considered the fact that God may be speaking to you in your dreams? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Did Joseph obey? \_\_\_\_\_
- Read Matt 2:22-23.
  - How did God warn Joseph? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did God instruct Joseph in the direction of the place he should live (vs.22) ? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Have you ever considered the fact that God wants to give you warnings and direction while you sleep? \_\_\_\_\_
- We see that the New Testament starts out with God giving dreams for instruction, direction and warnings to His people. What are your thoughts on dreams after reading all the above scriptures? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
- Will you take your dreams more seriously in the future? \_\_\_\_\_

### Day 3

- Read Genesis 31:1-18 which is the story of Jacob and how he worked for his father-in-law Laban. Laban began to get jealous of Jacob because of the blessings of God on his life. How did God speak to Jacob? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did the deceitfulness of Laban go unnoticed by God? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What did God tell Jacob to do? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Did Jacob obey the dream? \_\_\_\_\_
- Read Genesis 40. We read that the chief baker and butler for the king of Egypt were thrown in prison. One night they both had a dream but could not interpret it.
  - Who did Joseph say the interpretation of dreams belongs to? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Have you been praying about your dreams for their interpretations? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Were the dreamers from the household of God or gentiles? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Does God desire to speak even to the unbeliever? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Would you consider that numbers may be important in dreams? \_\_\_\_\_

*The butler had a dream that brought forth blossoms and clusters of grapes. Can you see how this dream is a blessed dream? The baker's dream had things taken from him. With close examination, it was easy to see where these dreams took these two men. God gives and the enemy takes.*

### Day 4

- In 1 Kings 3:1-15, Solomon has a dream where he is having a two-way conversation with God. This is called a dialogue.
  - Where was King Solomon when he had this dream? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What was Solomon doing in there? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Upon falling asleep, who appeared to Solomon? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What question was asked of him? \_\_\_\_\_
  - In our lecture and notes, we have found out that our dreams reveal the things hidden in our heart. What kind of heart did Solomon have?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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- What did Solomon want from God? \_\_\_\_\_
- What things did God give Solomon? \_\_\_\_\_

*It may be time to look into our own hearts and ask God to reveal things to us that need to be corrected. In Ps 139:23-24, David prayed this prayer "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."*

- If God reveals something that needs changes within you, will you be willing to make those changes? \_\_\_\_\_

### Day 5

- In Judges 7:9-15, Gideon lacked confidence that God could use him and deliver the Midianites into his hands. After Gideon heard the dream and it's interpretation, what did it give him? \_\_\_\_\_
- We need to develop the skill in hearing from God in dreams. Dreams are another way God speaks and all His ways fit together like a puzzle piece to form a whole picture. This dream gave Gideon confidence that he heard from God. However, in dreams, God speaks in symbols and sometimes it's hard to understand their meaning. In Gideon's dream, what represented the loaf of bread? \_\_\_\_\_
  - When the loaf rolled into the tent, what did this symbolize? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Whom did God give the dream to? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Were they a God fearing nation? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Would you take this to mean that God is speaking to all people of this world even in their dreams? \_\_\_\_\_
- God wants you to follow Him and He will prove this to you by speaking to you in dreams. Once He demonstrates this to you, receive it and trust that He will use your sleeping hours to speak things into your heart. Take these simple keys to developing your dream life with God.
  - 1) Ask and you shall receive (John 16:24)
  - 2) Expect to receive a dream (Matt 9:28) He is able!
  - 3) Recall the dream (Zech 4:1-2)
  - 4) Write the dream down before you forget it (Dan 7:1)
  - 5) Pray over the dream for God's interpretation (Dan 8:15)

### Scripture Memorization:

#### Job 33:15-16

In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls upon me, as I slumber upon my bed; then You open my ears, and seal my instruction.



# **APPENDIX**





## **Basic Interpretation for Dreams**

1. Write out the dream upon waking up, regardless of the time.
2. Reduce your dream to the simplest form.
3. Are you an observer, participant or the main focus?
4. Write down the objects in the dream and assign a meaning to each one.
5. Note the colors in the dream.
6. What are the attitudes of the people in the dream? What tone or feeling do they add to the dream?
7. Do any of the people symbolize anything to you?
8. What are your feelings and attitude?
9. What is the tone of the dream: harsh, hope, peace, condemnation, correction, etc?
10. What thought remains with you after the dream?
11. What is going on in your life at present that could relate to the dream?
12. What question lingers after the dream?
13. What category do you believe the dream falls into: demonic, godly, soulish?
14. Go into prayer and ask God to reveal the interpretation to you.
15. Go to the Word of God to get understanding of the dream.



**ANIMALS, INSECTS, BIRDS, FISH****ALLIGATOR/CROCODILE**

Ancient evil, danger, destruction, evil spirit

**BAT**

Witchcraft, Flighty, unstable, fear

**BEAR**

Destroyer, evil curse, cruel men, danger, opposition, economic loss

**BEES**

Stinging words, affliction, offense

**BIRD**

Symbol of spirits (good or bad) Holy Spirit, demon, saints

**BUTTERFLY**

Freedom, fragile; temporary glory

**COCOON**

Metamorphosis, transformation, change

**CATERPILLAR**

Devourer, destructive powers

**CAT**

Self-willed, unteachable spirit); unclean spirit, unclean spirit, predator, sneaky, crafty

**CALF**

Increase-prosperity, idolatry, stubbornness

**CROW**

Confusion, straight path (as the crow flies)

**DEER**

Graceful, Swift, sure-footed, timid

**EAGLE**

Leader, Prophet (true or false), minister, fierce, predator, America, swiftness of flight

**DOG**

Strife, contention, offense, unbeliever, Dog Wagging Tail=Friendly, acceptance; Tucked Tail=Guilt, shame, cowardly; Barking Dog=Warning

**FISH**

Spirit or soul; (good or bad), a person's character or motive

**HORSE**

The work of God's Spirit through man, spiritual warfare, strength, conquest

**LION**

Dominion, Christ, king, regal, bold, power, Satan, religious tradition, destroying spirit

**SHEEP**

Innocent, Saint(s), unsaved person

**SNAKE**

Curse; Demon, deception, threat, danger, hatred, critical spirit, Fangs=evil intent, danger; Rattles=Words, threats, warning, alarm, a snake looks like a big tail (talebearer)

**SPIDER**

The occult, evil, sin, deception, false doctrine, temptation; Web=Snare; lies

**TIGER**

Danger, Powerful minister, evil, dangerous person

**WOLF**

Predator, devourer, false prophet, person seeking his own gain

**RAT**

Unclean, plague, betrayer, wicked person

FROG - Unclean spirits, demons

**FLIES**

Evil spirits, filth of Satan's kingdom

**HEN**

Motherhood, one who gathers to protect

**SWINE**

Uncleanness, ignorance, hypocrisy, unbelievers

## TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES

**LARGE AIRPLANE**

Large church, ministry, high spiritual calling

**SMALL AIRPLANE**

A person or personal ministry

**JET**

Ministry, minister, powerful and fast

**HELICOPTER**

Small home group, hovering=no forward motion, stationary, no progress

**HAND GLIDER**

Wind of the Spirit

**BIKE**

Individual ministry or calling, works of the flesh, self-righteousness

**SPEED BOAT**

Short lived and exciting, powerful ministry

**OCEANLINER**

Large movement or mission minded

**SAILBOAT**

Wind of the Spirit, move of the Spirit

**BUS**

Church with great influence, teaching or youth ministry, sightseers

**CAR**

Ministry, life, personal, job, vocation

**LIMO**

Important; pride

**CONVERTIBLE**

Open heaven, uncovered, everything revealed, nothing hidden-good or evil

**BREAKING CAR**

Slow down

**CAR AT GAS STATION**

Power

**18 WHEELER**

Blessing and transfer of blessing, powerful blessing

**TAXI**

Hireling

**PARKED CAR**

Ministry on sidelines

**TRAIN**

Movement of God

**TRACTOR**

Laborious effort but with power to do it

**CHARIOT**

Major encounter

**HOT AIR BALOON**

Lifted high in the Holy Spirit anointing

**AMBULANCE**

Healing, restoration

**FIRE TRUCK**

Rescue, save

**PICKUP TRUCK**

Personal ministry, natural work

**MOVING VAN**

Change, geographical move in the natural or spirit, relocation

**TIRES**

Spirit, spiritual condition, deflated means discouraged or lack of prayer

**BOAT**

Support, spare time

**BRAKES**

Stop, resist, wait, (if brakes fail-no resistance to temptation)

## Colors

### RED

Blood of Jesus, Salvation, Redemption, Life, Sacrifice, Wisdom, Power, Fervent Love, Fire, Courage, Anointing, Boldness, Warfare, Anger, War

### BLUE

Heaven and Authority, Holy Spirit, Integrity, Loyalty, Justice, Revelation, Priesthood, Serenity, Calming, Peaceful, Communion, Hope, Healing, Anxiety, Depression, Without Hope

### PURPLE

Kingship, Majesty, Royalty, Reigning with Christ, Authority, False Authority

### GREEN

Prosperity, Growth, Life (especially New Life), Fresh, Conscience, Flourishing, Young, Tender, Healing, Hope, Peace, Vigorous, Envy, Pride, Jealousy

### GOLD (also Yellow and Amber)

Divine Nature of Jesus, Glory, Faith of the Saints, Refining Process, Kingship, Anointing Oil, Words of Wisdom, Knowledge and Truth, Immortality, Holy, Purity

### SILVER

Redemption, Refining Process, Words of the Lord, Words of the Saints

### BROWN

Earthen Vessels, Compassion, Humility, Devotion, Humanism

### BURGUNDY

New wine

### GRAY

Old age, Honor, Glory, Dignity, Humility, Death to our Outward Man and Renewal of "Inner Man", Weak, Compromise

### BLACK

Death, Mourning, Sorrow, Suffering, Judgment, Sin, Evil, Revelation of our Sin, Fear of the Lord, Evil, Darkness, famine/lack

### PINK

Highest or finest, healthy or fit, to adorn or embellish, Childlikeness, Faith, Healing, New Life, Joy

### IRIDESCENT

Transparency, Promises of God, Glory and Presence of God

### ORANGE

Stands for Strength and Endurance, Prophetic ministry

### MAGENTA

Emotions, love, hate

### ORANGE

Perseverance, Stubbornness, strong willed

### YELLOW

Bright, Cheerful, Hope, Mind, Fear, Lack of Courage

### WHITE

Light, Purity, Righteousness, Holiness, Innocence, Virginity, Surrender, Ripened Harvest, Bride of Christ, God's Watchful Care, Color of the Martyrs Triumph

## BUILDING-PLACES-ROOMS

### AIRPORT

Waiting, Preparing; being made ready (for ministry, travel, change)

### ATTIC

Mind: Thought; attitude (good or bad); learning; spiritual realm, history

### BANK

Secure: Dependable; safe; saved; certain

### BARN

Storehouse, provision, large work

### BASEMENT

Soul: Carnal nature; lust; basic issue, refuge, retreat; hidden; forgotten

### BATHROOM

Desire or Cleansing, Prayer of repentance; confession of offenses, passion; strong lust

### BEDROOM

Rest, Salvation; meditation; intimacy; privacy; peace

### COURTHOUSE

Judgment, trial; persecution, justice, legal matter

### HOSPITAL

Care: Church; place of healing; mercy

### HOUSE/HOME

Person or family, Individual, Church, heart, identity, roots; New house, new life, change, new move (spiritual or natural)

### HOTEL

Transition

### KITCHEN

Heart, intent, plans, passion, prepare spiritual food

### GARAGE

Place of repair, restoration, rest

### LIVING ROOM

Revealed, everyday or current affairs, truth exposed

### PRISON

Bondage/captivity, rebellion, addiction, fear

### ROOF

Covering, Protection, mind, thought

### SCHOOL

Teaching, learning, teaching ministry

### UPSTAIRS

Spiritual Thought; prayer; spiritual service, prayer

### LIBRARY

Knowledge, education, research, learning

### PARK

Rest, peace, leisure

### HILLS

Elevation, high and loftiness

### FENCE

Protection, enclosure, restraint, safety

### DESERT

Desolation, temptation solitude

### TOWER

Strength, safety, protection

### MOUNTAIN

Strength, majesty, stability

### FOUNDATION

Beginning, primary issues

### FIELD

Earth, world

### CLOSET

Secrecy, privacy, aloneness

**NUMBERS****ONE**

God, unity, beginning, priority

**TWO**

Multiplication, separation or division, testimony, witness, double portion, power of agreement

**THREE**

Godhead, restoration, resurrection, strength, complete

**FOUR**

God's creative works, direction

**FIVE**

Grace, redemption, anointing, atonement, five-fold ministry, favor

**SIX**

Man, humanity, labor, the Beast, Satan

**SEVEN**

Perfection, complete, fullness, rest

**EIGHT**

New beginnings, regeneration, abound, rich

**NINE**

Judgment, finality, Holy Spirit

**TEN**

Journey, wilderness, nurture, trial and testing, law, government, tithe

**ELEVEN**

Transition, standing in the gap, incompleteness, disorder

**TWELVE**

Government, divine power and rule, authority, apostolic fullness

**THIRTEEN**

Rebellion, backsliding, double portion

**FOURTEEN**

Double anointing, salvation, deliverance, a measure of spiritual perfection

**FIFTEEN**

Reprieve, mercy, grace, atonement

**SIXTEEN**

Established new beginnings, love

**SEVENTEEN**

Elect of God, perfection of testing, walk with God

**EIGHTEEN**

End of testing, life

**TWENTY**

Maturity, attainment, completion

**TWENTY-FOUR**

Double portion of divine government, priesthood

**TWENTY-FIVE**

Begin ministry training, grace upon grace

**THIRTY**

Begin ministry, consecration for ministry

**THIRTY-ONE**

The Almighty God

**FORTY**

Testing, trial, probation

**FORTY-TWO**

Persecution, judgment, death, redemption, salvation

**FIFTY**

Liberty, freedom, Pentecost

**SIXTY**

Pride

**SEVENTY-FIVE**

Separation, being set-apart, sanctification

**ONE HUNDRED**

Completeness, fullness, abundant fruitfulness

## MISCELLANEOUS

### BRIDGE

Transition, one place to the next

KNIFE: Tongue, gossip, warfare

### GUN/BULLETS

Power, words, accusations, slander, gossip

### DART

Curse, incantations, penetrating and painful

### STORMS/TORNADOES

Divine or demonic intervention (white or dark clouds)

SNOW: Righteousness, refreshing

### WIND

Holy Spirit, strong wind=adversity on the way

COAT: Mantle, anointing

SHOES: Peace

HAT: Salvation, covering

WEDDING DRESS: Covenant

### SHORTS

Partial fulfillment of purpose, leisure

### UNDERWEAR

Humbled, transparency

### BODY PARTS:

Thigh = Faith, flesh

Nose = Discernment

Hand = Works/deeds, five fold ministry

Arm = Strength, weakness, helper

Teeth = Comprehension, wisdom, experience

Hair = wisdom

Beards = maturity

Eyes = Desire, passion, revelation

Face = heart; sad, happy, upset, etc.

Feet = Walk, way, thoughts

Barefoot = Unprepared, no understanding

Neck = Will

Legs = Support, strength

Knees = Submission

Hips (loins) = Mind, truth, out of joint

Head = Authority, power

Finger = Feeling, sensitivity

Pointing finger = direction, accusation

FLYING: Advanced revelatory gifting

### DIRECTION:

East=Beginning, birth, first, anticipate

West=Grace, death, last, conformed

North=Spiritual judgment, heaven, warfare

South=Natural, sin, world, temptation, flesh

Right=Natural, right turn=natural change

Left = Spiritual, left turn=Spiritual change

### BED

Rest: meditation, intimacy, peace, covenant

### NUDITY

Uncovered or Flesh, impure, ashamed, innocence, open, truth, honest, nature

### OIL

Anointing, Clear oil is Holy Spirit anointing, healing and dirty oil is unclean spirit, hate, lust, danger of slipping

### DEATH

Repentance, loss, sorrow, failure, separation; dying to the flesh

### CROSSROADS

Decision, choice, job change, career change, geographical move

### DROWNING/FLOOD

Overcome, self-pity, depression, overwhelm

DOOR: Entrance, mouth, way, opportunity

### EATING

Partake, experience, agreement, fellowship

ELEVATOR: Increase/decrease in anointing

### DEAD-END ROAD

Change direction, stop, repent, certain failure

### PEN/PENCIL

Tongue, vow, record

### POT/PAN/BOWL

Vessel, doctrine, tradition, a person

### FALLING

Unsupported, backsliding, succumb

GRANDFATHER CLOCK: Past



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