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**HOW TO HEAR GOD**

Journal Giveaway Sunday – December 26, 2021

**John 10:27 (ESV)** My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

**GOD’S WORD GUIDES US IN TWO WAYS**

1. **BY HEARING AND UNDERSTANDING HIS WISDOM**
2. **BUY HEARING HIM SPEAK DIRECTLY TO US THROUGH HIS WORD**

**FIRST, WHEN YOU HEAR, UNDERSTAND AND BEGIN LIVING ACCORDING TO GOD’S WORD, YOUR LIFE WILL IMMEDIATELY BEGIN TO GO BETTER… BECAUSE NO ONE CAN COMPETE WITH GOD’S WISDOM**

**Psalm 119:98 (CEV)** Your laws never leave my mind, and they make me much wiser than my enemies.

**Proverbs 13:20 (NKJV)** He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will be destroyed.

**THIS IS WHY SOCIETIES – LIKE OURS – WHICH WERE BASED ON THE WISDOM IN GOD’S WORD FLOURISH AND PROSPER MUCH MORE THAN RUTHLESS DICTATORSHIPS**

**SECOND, GOD SPEAKS DIRECTLY TO US—IN REAL TIME— THROUGH HIS WORD**

**2 Timothy 3:16–17 (ESV)** All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, **17** that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

**2 Peter 1:20–21 (ESV)** knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. **21** For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

**THESE WRITERS ALLOWED THE HOLY SPIRIT TO GUIDE THEM TO WRITE THE VERY WORDS OF GOD.**

**AND GOD… BEING ETERNAL… AND KNOWING THE FUTURE… KNEW WHO WOULD BE HEARING AND READING WHAT WHICH PORTIONS OF SCRIPTURE—AND WHEN—THAT HE HAS SPOKEN TO EACH OF US… AND IS STILL SPEAKING TO US… THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES. IT’S AS IF HE JUST SPOKE THEM TODAY.**

**EX – Let me give you a very simplistic example of it. People who give public speeches will say certain words of phrases that are signals or codes to those who know them.**

**Hebrews 4:12 (ESV)** For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

**God speaks through His Word, and the Holy Spirit helps us to hear what He is saying.**

**Mark 4:9 (ESV)** And he said, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

**Matthew 13:13 (ESV)** … seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.

**EX – One pastor (PB) showed me a name in the Bible and said that God was telling him to go plant a church in a city by that name… so he did… the church didn’t grow much… and a few years later, he closed it and left.**

**EX – January 2020… Isaiah 60:1–2 (NKJV) Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. 2 For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, And deep darkness the people; But the Lord will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you.**

**DAILY TIME IN THE WORD MAKES UR LIFE PROSPER**

**Joshua 1:8 (ESV)** This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

**EX – Proverbs 24:27** Prepare your outside work, Make it fit for yourself in the field; And afterward build your house.

**EX – Praying about a relationship… led thru the word**

**EX – Genesis 24:31 (NKJV)** And **[Laban]** said **[to Abraham’s servant]** , “Come in, O blessed of the Lord! Why do you stand outside? For I have prepared the house, and a place for the camels.”

**YOU ARE CALLED TO SURPASS YOUR PEERS**

**START OFF NEW YEAR/DECADE ATTENDING CHURCH REGULARLY AND READING BIBLE**

**WE READ OUR BIBLES EVERYDAY**

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