

Hearing What He is Saying

As in the study of the 7 churches—

- Hearing is important
- Obedience is vital

Today, **“4 Foundational Truths”**

I. How is God speaking?

5 key ways

- His word- personal reading and devotion
 - 2 Tim. 3:16-17; Heb. 4:12
- Still, small Voice
 - John 10:1-6 My sheep
- The Gifts- supernatural communication
 - 1 Cor. 12:1-11
- Preaching- heart & teaching- head
 - Both are anointed and life-changing!
- Relationships- spouse, children, grandchildren, friends...
 - Heb. 3:13; Heb. 10:25; Prov. 27:17; Prov. 17:17; Jn. 15:12-13

All 5 ways are ALWAYS validated by His Word!

Are you leaving any of these ways out?

II. Are you listening?

There are lots of influential voices today!

According to experts, there are 3 types of listening—

- Passive- listening without giving response
- Selective- listening but only responding to what we want
- Attentive- listening to it all and obeying!

Are you attentively listening to Him? In all 5 ways He speaks?

III. The importance of listening

- John 16:13. truth revealed! He knows all
- John 14:26. experiencing and recognizing Him

- Ps. 119, 11, 50, 105 brings about change

Do you comprehend the importance of listening to Him?

IV. Listening is validated by obedience

- Deut. 11:1
- 2 Cor. 10:5
- Jn. 15:14
- Jn 14:15
- 2 Jn. 1:6
- Josh 5:6
- Luke 11:28

So many voices today trying to influence and shape our stance to obey: political, union, educational, emotional, intellectual, social and public media, advertising, friends...

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Only one Voice is important! But, it requires—

- Knowing and experiencing all the ways He speaks
- Having a willingness to attentively listen
- Realizing the importance of listening
- Validating our listening by obeying!