

# SERMON NOTES



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**“The word of God is the voice of God.”**

## **Hearing God's Voice Brings:**

1. Comfort
  2. Stability
  3. Security
  4. Boldness
  5. Confidence
- God's voice is a priority!
  - God desires to talk to you directly.
  - Hear God's voice to be led by God.
  - When you can't hear God's voice you miss His will, His purpose, and His destiny for your life.
  - Identify and remove the clutter and distractions in your life to hear God's voice.
  - Tune your spirit to hear God's voice and the Holy Spirit.
  - Train yourself to hear God's voice by your confession and declaration.
  - God's voice should be making a tremendous difference in your life.

## **John 10:3 – 4 (KJV)**

<sup>3</sup> To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. <sup>4</sup> And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.

## **How to Test God's Voice:**

1. Agrees with God's Word
  - God's voice and God's Word are one.
2. Brings you closer to God
  - If it is of God, it will bring you closer to God and His character.
  - You will become more like Christ.

## **I John 4:1 (NLT)**

<sup>4</sup> Dear friends, do not believe everyone who claims to speak by the Spirit. You must test them to see if the spirit they have comes from God. For there are many false prophets in the world.

## **I John 4:1 (MSG)**

<sup>4</sup> My dear friends, don't believe everything you hear. Carefully weigh and examine what people tell you. Not everyone who talks about God comes from God. There are a lot of lying preachers loose in the world.

**“Test every spirit and voice to know that it comes from God.”**

## **I John 5:7 (KJV)**

<sup>7</sup> For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

## **John 8:47 (AMP)**

<sup>47</sup> Whoever is of God *and* belongs to Him hears [the truth of] God's words; for this reason you do not hear them: because you are not of God *and* you are not in fellowship with Him.”

- You must be quiet, still, and listen to hear God's voice.
- The word of God is the voice of God.
- To hear God's voice, you must be in harmony with God.
- You must be humble to be in harmony with God.
- Take God seriously and not yourself.
- You must be able to laugh at yourself and not be touchy, irritable or frustrated.
- The filter must agree with the Word of God.
- God's word and His principles will always be relevant.

## **Wisdom of God is:**

1. Pure
2. Peaceable
3. Gentle
4. Full of Mercy
5. Full of Good Fruits

## **James 3:17 – 18 (KJV)**

<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

<sup>18</sup> And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

## **Take-A-Way:**

Declare and confess daily -

- “I am God's sheep.”
- “I hear God's voice.”
- “I walk in God's Best.”

## **Discussion Questions:**

1. How do you test God's voice?
2. What benefits come from hearing God's voice?

## **Resources:**

If you would like to look at “**How to Hear God's Voice**” sermon series in more depth, Church On The Rock bookstore has excellent resources available.

