

Sunday, 30 June 2024
How to Hear and Follow the Voice of God

A. How to hear and follow the Voice of God

1. Share truth that will help you grow spiritually – and also help you navigate the issues of life.
2. Hearing and following the voice of God will bring increase into your life.
3. 1 Tim. 4:8 – profitable – this life and the life that is to come

B. 1 Thess. 5:23 – God made us with three parts. If you never identify your spirit – it is impossible to grow and develop spiritually.

C. Why is this important?

1. If God created us – then He knows everything about us.
2. He knows what career we should pursue.
3. He knows who we should marry.
4. He knows the best pathway for our lives.
5. He knows the challenges we will face.
6. If we believe that – we should make every effort to hear and follow God's voice.

D. How does God speak to us?

1. Number One – Always Remember - the Bible is God speaking to you.

- a. Matt. 4:4
- b. You do not need to pray about anything God says in His Word—simply act on it.
- c. Worry, stress / forgiveness / peace / wisdom

2. Second Way – Inward witness

- a. Rom. 8:14-16
- b. How does that work?
- c. Cokesbury Bookstore
- d. Dating – met Connie – I sensed I needed to get to know her
- e. Col. 3:15 – RULE - The peace that Christ gives is to guide you in the decisions you make; for it is to this peace that God has called you together in the one body. And be thankful. (GNB)

E. When God Speaks

1. It will always agree with God's Word – John 14:26 - But the Holy Spirit will come and help you, because the Father will send the Spirit to take my place. The Spirit will teach you everything and will remind you of what I said while I was with you. (CEV)
 - a. Fill yourself with God's Word – John 15:7
2. It will always agree with your inner witness – Rom. 8:16
3. It will never violate common sense – Acts 15:28 - For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;
4. It will never create confusion – always bring peace – 1 Cor. 14:33 - For God is not *the author* of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.
5. It will never cause you to violate the natural duties of life - John 19:26-27 - This incredible act emphasizes the significance of the Christian duty and the value that God places on the care and concern of our family and loved ones.
6. It will always bring stability into your life – Matt. 7:24-25
7. It will always produce faith – Rom. 10:17 (not doubt or fear or uncertainty)

SAY IT WITH ME – FOR AS MANY AS ARE LED.....THE HOLY SPIRIT LIVES IN ME...I AM LED BY THE HS
– I KNOW THE VOICE OF GOD -