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Hearing His Voice

OPEN IN PRAYER

MESSAGE SUMMARY

God's heart has always been for His people to hear His voice. From Isaiah's prophetic call to "Come near and hear," to Jesus saying, "*My sheep know my voice*" (John 10:27), Pastor Duaine takes about scripture making it clear: hearing God isn't reserved for prophets, pastors, or the spiritually elite—IT'S FOR EVERY BELIEVER! Yet, challenges like sin, distractions, hardened hearts, and internal noise can dull our spiritual hearing. Let's explore how we were designed to hear God, what hinders us from listening, and how we can tune our hearts to His frequency.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Designed to Hear God's Voice

From the very beginning, God intended His people to hear Him clearly. Hearing His voice isn't an optional skill; it's built into our spiritual DNA. Every believer was made to hear the voice of God!

- How does understanding God as a good Father change the way you expect Him to speak? [*Romans 8:15*]
- Why do you think the enemy works so hard to block or distort our ability to hear God? [*Genesis 3:8-10*]

Barriers to Hearing God Clearly

The problem isn't that God is silent—it's that our hearts and minds get cluttered. Sin, disappointment, anxiety, and natural thinking can harden our spiritual ears. That's why it is so important to stay in close proximity to God's presence.

- What "heart wax" (disappointments, sin, or distractions) has made it harder for you to hear God? [*Scripture: Matthew 13:14-15*]
- How does filling our minds with God's Word prepare us to recognize His voice? [*Romans 12:2*]



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Training and Sensitivity to the Spirit

Hearing God is both a gift and a skill. Like tuning into a radio frequency, we must learn to sharpen our sensitivity through discipline, the Word, and time in God's presence.

- How can you intentionally “train your ear” to better recognize God’s voice? [*Isaiah 50:4; 1 Corinthians 2:10-12*]
- What role does obedience play in developing sensitivity to the Holy Spirit? [*1 Samuel 15:22*]
- How can discernment help us distinguish between God’s voice, our own thoughts, and the enemy’s lies? [*John 16:13*]

WRAP UP

God has given us everything we need to hear Him. The challenge isn't His silence but our sensitivity. As we soften our hearts, train our ears, and fill our minds with His Word, we will hear Him with greater clarity.

Group Focus: Spend time after this discussion, in silence, and ask God to speak to you. Share what He revealed.

Personal Challenge: Each morning this week, pray: “*Lord, awaken my ear to hear You today.*” Then journal any impressions, Scriptures, or nudges you sense from Him.

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