



Shofar Christian Church

#GLOW I PART SEVEN

LOVE LISTENS II

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#GOLOW

1. Intro: KEYS TO #GOLOW

- #1 Key – Don't mind the robes to much
- #2 Key – JESUS, the servant King
- #3 Key – Do unto others
- #4 Key – Like Sheep
- #5 Key – Sow low & Trust the SEED
- #6 Key – Trusted Hands
- #7 Key – Love Listens I

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Matthew 22:37 Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’

#Glow KEY #8 ...

LISTEN to GOD

#GOLOW KEY 8 I LOVE LISTENS II

Go low like Jesus –

John 12:49 For I have not spoken on My own, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a command as to what I should say and what I should speak.

2. To LISTEN:

**GOD SPEAKS TO
THOSE WHO TAKE
TIME TO LISTEN
AND HE LISTENS TO
THOSE WHO TAKE
TIME TO PRAY.**

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**THE QUIETER
YOU BECOME,
THE MORE
YOU CAN
HEAR**

2.2 “Hear” or “Listen”:

Listen [Strong’s Def] : shâma` I shaw-mah'

A primitive root; to hear intelligently (often with implication of **attention**, obedience, etc.; causatively to tell, etc.): **attentively**, call (gather) together, **carefully**, certainly, consent, consider, be content, declare, X diligently, **discern**, give ear, (cause to, let, make to) hear (-ken, tell), X indeed, listen, make (a) noise, (be) obedient, obey, perceive, (make a) proclaim (-ation), publish, regard, report, shew (forth), (make a) sound, X surely, tell, understand, whosoever [heareth], witness.

2.2 “Hear” or “Listen”:

Hearing is simply the act of perceiving sound by the ear. If you are not hearing-impaired, hearing simply happens. Listening, however, is something you consciously choose to do. Listening requires concentration so that your brain processes meaning from words and sentences.

Hearing vs. Listening - University of Minnesota Duluth

www.d.umn.edu/student/loon/acad/strat/ss_hearing.html

3. Listen to LOVE:

3.1 God's Voice: Dispensations

God worked with humans in different ways.

Three dispensations in the Word:

1. Dispensation of the patriarchs –
'fathers of families'

Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob

Dealt with them personally and through
them with families

3.1 God's Voice:

Three dispensations in the Word...:

2. Dispensation of Israel under the Law

God dealt with Israel more specific and as a collective group

Israel had the law, a temple and priesthood

3. Dispensation of the Gospel

Proclamation to the whole human race – never mind you race or nationality

Dispensation of the Gospel requires from each individual an individual response

GOD'S PEOPLE CAN HEAR GOD'S VOICE

3.2 Scripture: SAMUEL'S CALL

1 Samuel 3 (HCSB) Samuel's Call

3 The boy Samuel served the Lord in Eli's presence. In those days the word of the Lord was rare and prophetic visions were not widespread. 2 One day Eli, whose eyesight was failing, was lying in his room. 3 Before the lamp of God had gone out, Samuel was lying down in the tabernacle of the Lord, where the ark of God was located. 4 Then the Lord called Samuel, and he answered, "Here I am." 5 He ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "I didn't call," Eli replied.

“Go back and lie down.” So he went and lay down. 6 Once again the Lord called, “Samuel!” Samuel got up, went to Eli, and said, “Here I am; you called me.” “I didn’t call, my son,” he replied. “Go back and lie down.” 7 Now Samuel had not yet experienced the Lord, because the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. 8 Once again, for the third time, the Lord called Samuel. He got up, went to Eli, and said, “Here I am; you called me.” Then Eli understood that the Lord was calling the boy. 9 He told Samuel, “Go and lie down. If He calls you, say, ‘Speak, Lord, for Your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 The Lord came, stood there, and called as before, “Samuel, Samuel!” Samuel responded, “Speak, for Your servant is listening.” 11 The Lord said to Samuel, “I am about to do something in Israel that everyone who hears about it will shudder....

19 Samuel grew, and the Lord was with him, and He fulfilled everything Samuel prophesied. 20 All Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a confirmed prophet of the Lord.

3.2.1 Positioned:

Positioned
Consecrated
Dedicated

3.2.2 Humble:

Teachable
Willing
Lowly

James 4:6 But he gives more grace.
Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud,
but gives grace to the humble."

3.2.3 Goal / Purpose:

God Goal
Purpose
Not mere selfish

3.2.4 Faithful:

Faithful delivery
Faithful in little
Not fear of man, Fear of God

3.2.5 Searching, knocking, asking:

Positioned low

Humble

Three times back

Matthew 7:7-8 (HCSB)

Keep Asking, Searching, Knocking | “Keep asking, and it will be given to you. Keep searching,^[b] and you will find. Keep knocking, and the door will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and the one who searches finds, and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

3.2.5 Searching, knocking, asking:

Proverbs 25:2 It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.

Revelation 3:20

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

3.2.6 Grow: Recognize His Voice:

Willing to grow

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4. Why His Voice?:

4.1 It is LIFE:

Matthew 4:4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

4. Why His Voice?:

4.2 It is REALTIONSHIP:

John 10:2 But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. 5 A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."

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

4.3 His voice gives FAITH:


Romans 10:17 (KJV)

17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.



4.4 His voice gives a FUTURE:

John 16:12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.



#GOLOW | KEY 8

LISTEN TO GOD



PRAYER TIME

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