



God's Voice

PART SIX | HOW HE SPEAKS

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Intro: Our foundation and basis this Series

We need:

- ✓ **The Fear of God**
- ✓ **Word, Holy Spirit and His Body**
- ✓ **Humility and teachability**
- ✓ **Childlike faith**
- ✓ **Honesty and accountability**
- ✓ **And...*You can hear God's Voice***



Cancel out other voices

Why? *Voice of God*

1. Live like Jesus the Son

2. God's Voice sustains us

3. Faith Comes by Hearing

Romans 10:17 "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

Continue Today

*How do you hear the
voice of God?*



ARISE, SHINE
YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

2. Samuel's Key

– Prophet, Priest, and Judge

1 Samuel 3 | Samuel's Call

1 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. 12 On that day I will carry out against Eli everything I said about his family...

... 19 Samuel grew, and the Lord was with him, and He fulfilled everything Samuel prophesied.

- None of Samuel's words fell to the ground

*"Speak Lord, for Your
servant is listening."*

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Matthew 5:6

Blessed are those who hunger
and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be filled.



Hunger

Posture

Purpose

3. How does God speak?

No limit in how He speaks –

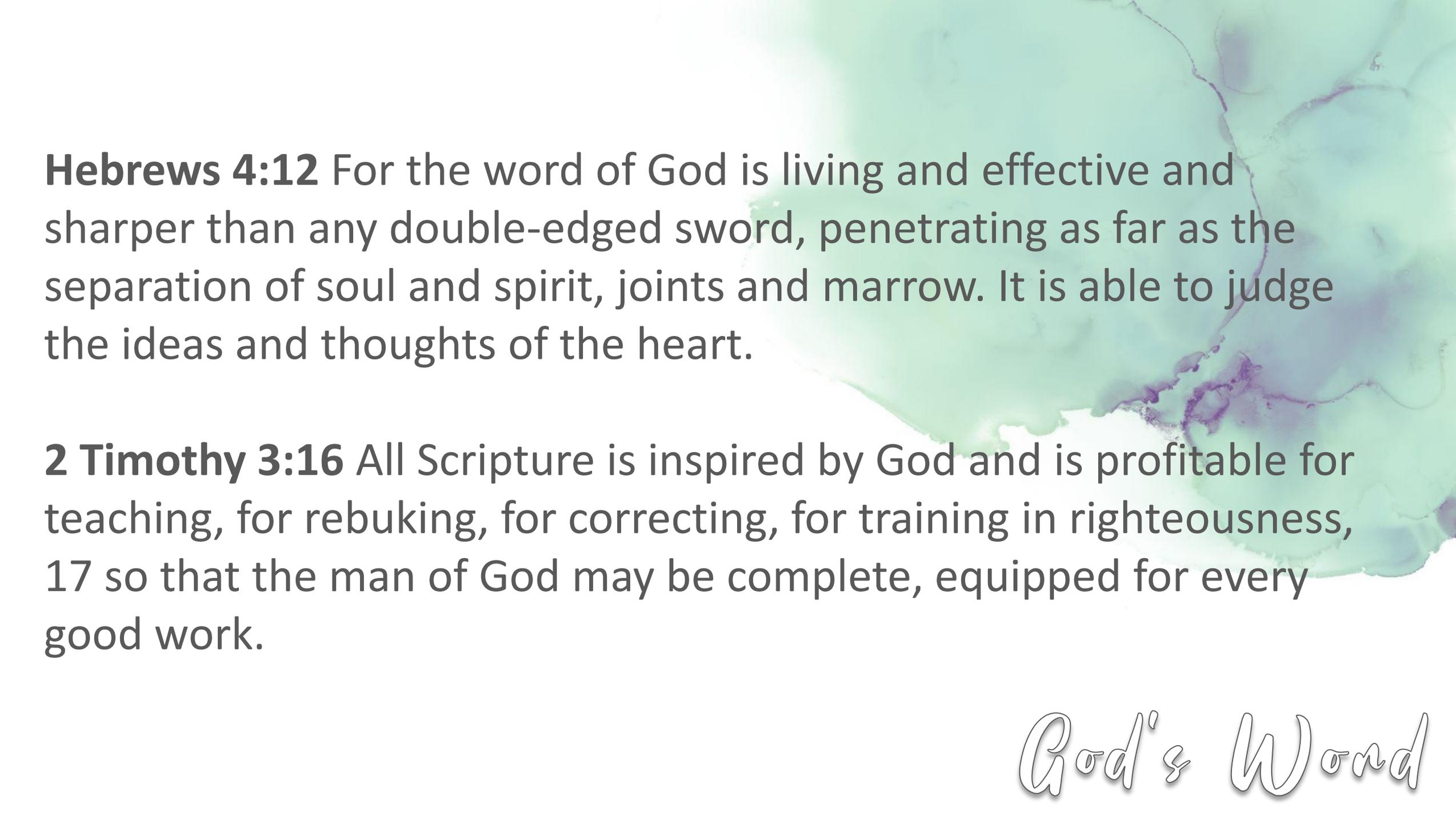
3.1 God's Word:

- Reading, time and intimacy

Primary and most authoritative way

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

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Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and effective and sharper than any double-edged sword, penetrating as far as the separation of soul and spirit, joints and marrow. It is able to judge the ideas and thoughts of the heart.

2 Timothy 3:16 All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, 17 so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

God's Word

Your word is a lamp
for my feet, a light on
my path.

Psalm 119:105



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3.2 Holy Spirit and Prayer:

BTW: All examples of HOW God speaks is intertwined with the Holy Spirit -

- **Indwelling Spirit of God in all of us as believers**
- **Prayer: talking and communion with God**

John 14:26 But the Counsellor, the Holy Spirit—the Father will send Him in My name—will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have told you.

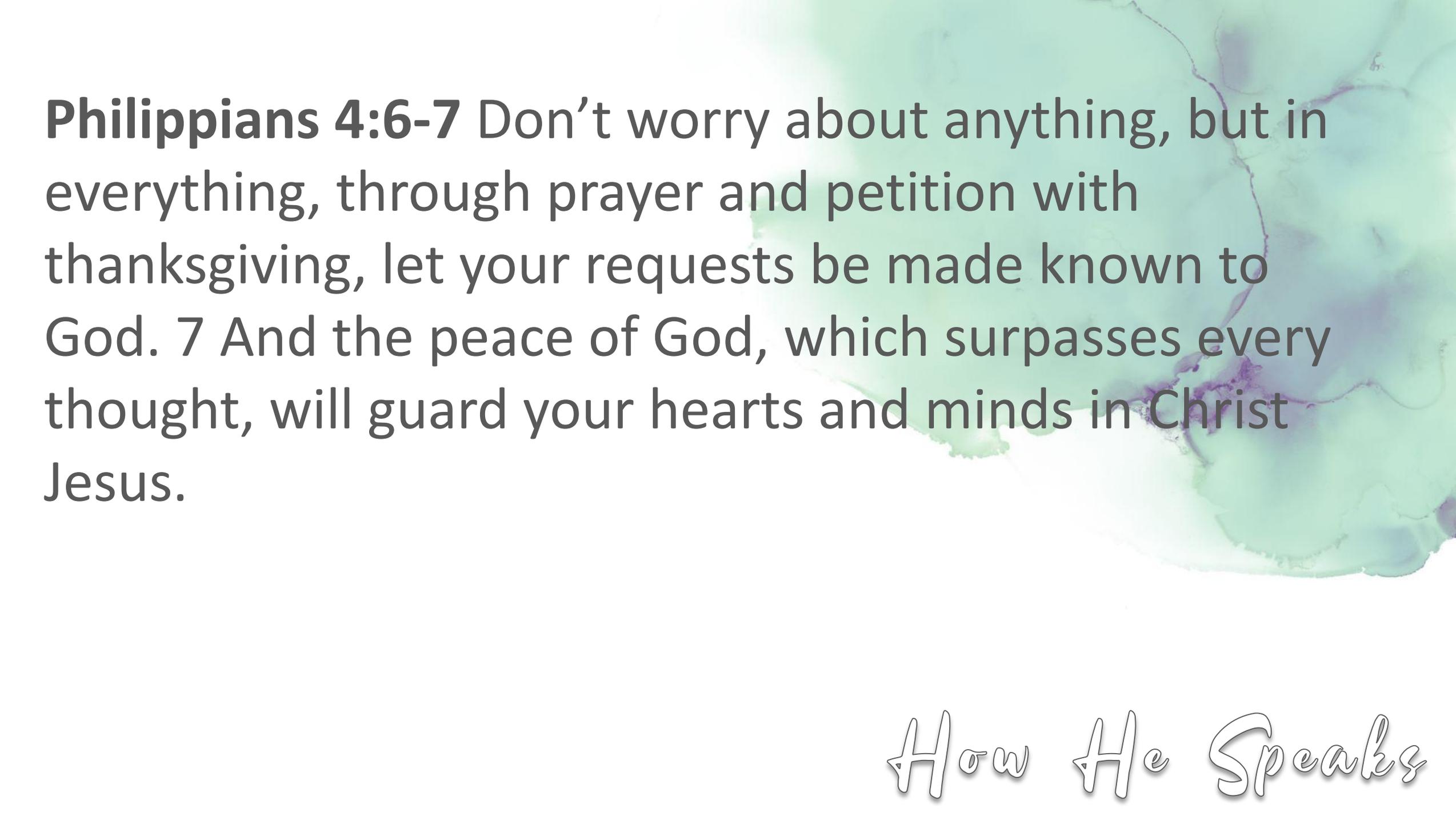
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Romans 8:14-16 All those led by God's Spirit are God's sons.
15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father!" 16 The Spirit Himself testifies together with our spirit that we are God's children.

- Spirit is in you to lead you, talk to you, commune with you -

1 Kings 19:12 *[Elijah]* After the earthquake there was a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there was a voice, a soft whisper.

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Philippians 4:6-7 Don't worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses every thought, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

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Next up:

How God Speaks -

Dreams and Visions, Creation, the Body [other believers] and other people, Our Senses – feelings and impressions, Circumstances, etc..



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Let's Pray