



God's Voice

PART SEVEN | 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



Continue Today-

*How do you hear the
voice of God?*



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

NIV

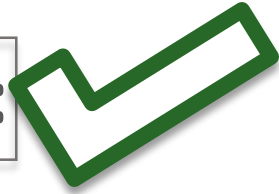


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2. How does God speak?

No limit in how He speaks –

2.1 God's Word:



It is the foundation, filter and first tester of all that God says to us...

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2.2 Holy Spirit and Prayer:

- ✓ Indwelling Spirit of God in all of us as believers -
- ✓ Prayer I talking to God
- ✓ Communion
- ✓ Communication
- ✓ Walking 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.

Testimony

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**.

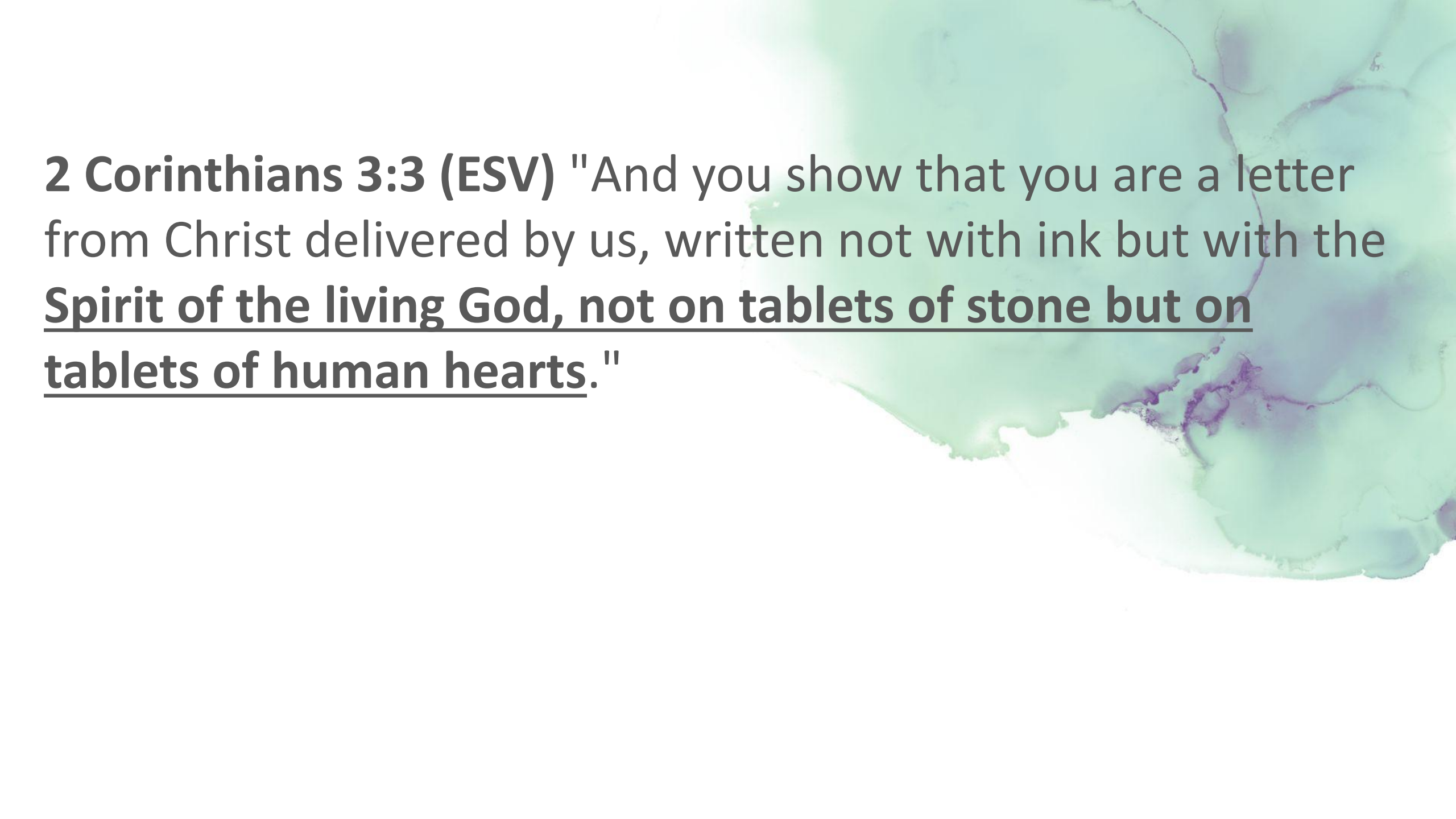
- still small voice -

Let's chat & Testimony

The Holy Spirit's law within: God's speaks

Romans 8:2 *speaks of the Spirit's law of life in Christ Jesus – We have become the tablets of the New Covenant [if we walk by the Spirit and not the flesh]*

Hebrews 10:15-17 (ESV) "And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, 'This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,' then he adds, 'I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.'"



2 Corinthians 3:3 (ESV) "And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts."

Have you heard the still small voice? PRAYER

Jeremiah 33:3 “Call to me and I will answer you...”

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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How do I know if the inner voice is Him: Four filters

1. **In line with the Word I Sounds like God's Character**
Grow: Word and prayer, Word and prayer, Word and prayer
2. **Attested by two to three witnesses | 2 Cor 13:1**
3. **Friends and Family and Leaders | Accountability**
4. **Fruit of it is Peace | Not understanding ☺**

* we will have a sermon on discernment and testing...

Testing and discernment

2.3 Dreams and Visions:

Joel 2:28 “And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions.”

Acts 2:12 Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?” 13 Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.” 14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. 15 These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! 16 No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 17 “‘In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people...

2.4 Creation:

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Romans 1:20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. 21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Psalms 19 *The Witness of Creation and Scripture* 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims the work of His hands. 2 Day after day they pour out speech; night after night they communicate knowledge. 3 There is no speech; there are no words; their voice is not heard. 4 Their message has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.

2.5 The Body:

- Believers and other people:

God speaks through others: Fellow disciples, friends and family, leaders

Proverbs 11:14 Where there is no counsel, the people fall; But in the multitude of counselors there is safety.

1 Corinthians 14:3 But the one who **prophesies** speaks to people for their **strengthening, encouraging and comfort.**

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2.6 Senses – feelings and impressions:

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Hebrews 5:14 But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

2.7 Circumstances:

Romans 8:28 – God works all things together for good.
Sovereignly in control for those who allow Him to be Lord...

...and more



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Let's Pray