

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 bear God's Voice

Continue Today-

How do you hear the

voice of God?



2. <u>How does God speak</u>?

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...

2.2 Holy Spirit and Prayer:

Indwelling Spirit of God in all of us as believers Prayer I talking to God and hearing Him speak **1 Kings 19:12 [Elijah] ...there was a voice, a soft whisper.**

How He Speaks

2.3 Dreams and Visions:

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



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...





- Believers and other people:

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

A. Parents and Children:



C. Teaching and Gifts:

Continue Today-God speaking to us through the Body, other people.



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What is prophecy?

MOST BASIC DEFINITION: "MESSAGE FROM GOD"

"It is a dad helping out His kids"

<u>Can be</u> -

- ✓ Foretelling [knowing or predicting the future] [NORMALLY] and
- Forth-telling [causing the future through declaration proclaiming God's truth in a situation and calling it forth] with authority | As good as His voice through you...

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prophéteia: prophecy | GREEK

prophecy I gift of communicating and enforcing <u>revealed truth</u>, the revealed truth of God

prophēteía PRO – VY – TES (from 4396 /prophḗtēs, "prophet," which is derived from 4253 / **pró**, "**before**" and 5346 / **phēmí**, "**make clear** assert as a priority") – properly, what is **clarified beforehand**; prophecy which involves divinely-empowered forthtelling (asserting the mind of God) or foretelling (prediction).



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1 Corinthians 12:7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

1 Coninthians 12 - Spinitual Gifts, Body 1 Coninthians 13 - Love 1 Coninthians 14 - Prophecy and Tongues



1 Corinthians 14:1 Prophecy: A Superior Gift
Pursue love and desire spiritual gifts, and <u>above all that you</u>
<u>may prophesy</u>.

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

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

1. In line with the Word I <u>Sound like God's Character</u> *Grow: Word and prayer, Word and prayer; HUMILITY*

John 10:27 My sheep hear My voice, I know them, and they follow Me. John 10:4 ... The sheep follow him because they recognize his voice. 5 They will never follow a stranger; instead they will run away from him, because they don't recognize the voice of strangers.

Time, time, time, time I intimacy and relationship

- 2. Attested by two to three witnesses | 2 Cor 13:1
- 3. Friends, Family and Leaders | Accountability
- 4. Fruit of it is Peace | Not understanding

2.6 Senses – feelings and impressions:

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

2.7 Circumstances:

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



Bod Speaks

