

**Series: Voices**

**Week 4: Voice of God**

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We need to learn to replace these loud voices with the voice of God.

We ask ourselves: ‘How can I hear the voice of God? Does God even speak to me? Does God speak to anyone anymore?’

God is in fact speaking and He wants to speak with you!

**How do we hear God’s voice?**

1. Plant myself in scripture

Those who hear gods voice best, know his word best

Psalm 1:1-3

<sup>1</sup> Blessed is the one

who does not walk in step with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take  
or sit in the company of mockers,

<sup>2</sup> but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and who meditates on his law day and night.

<sup>3</sup> That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
which yields its fruit in season  
and whose leaf does not wither—  
whatever they do prospers.

**Meditate:** a focused attention

2. Make it personal
3. Make God a part of my plans

Genesis 12:17

But the Lord inflicted serious diseases on Pharaoh and his household because of Abram's wife Sarai.

Romans 12:2

<sup>2</sup>Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

4. I've got a **process** with the faith community

W.I.I.F.M. = What's in it for me

Ephesians 5:21

<sup>21</sup>Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Peter 5:5

All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another

5. We need to be **Particular**

Romans 8:14

<sup>14</sup>For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

John 20:29

<sup>29</sup>Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

### **Personal Guardrails to hearing God**

- I want to be particular about my language.
- I want whatever I sense personally to be consistent with God's word
- most times what I sense personally, needs to be acted on privately
- Guard my heart when messages from God come from other people