

Hearing God 2

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4 Pillars of Hearing God's Voice

1. The Wisdom of God
2. The Word of God
3. The Spirit of God
4. The People of God

Wisdom is divine enablement to apply information and knowledge in order to make decisions that produce life.

2 Types of the Will of God

1. General revealed will of God – WORD
2. Specific will of God – wisdom – spirit – people

THE WORD OF GOD

JESUS IS THE LIVING WORD

John 1:1,14 – ¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and **the Word was God.** ¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. **NIV**

Hebrews 4:12 - For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, **it penetrates** even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; **it judges** the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. **NIV**

II Timothy 3:16-17 – ¹⁶ All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching the truth, rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living, ¹⁷ so that the person who serves God may be **fully qualified and equipped** to do every kind of good deed. **GNT**

Matthew 4:4 - Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on **every word** that comes from the mouth of God.'" **NIV**

Psalms 119:105 - By **your words I can see** where I'm going; they throw a beam of light on my dark path. **The Message**

God's Word vs. Man's Ways

Isaiah 55:6-11- ⁶ Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. ⁷ Let the wicked forsake **his way**, and the unrighteous man **his thoughts**; let him return to the Lord, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. ⁸ "For **My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,**" says the Lord. ⁹ "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. ¹⁰ "For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there, But water the earth, and make it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹ **So shall My word** be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.
NKJV

- God's Word contains God's thoughts and His ways.
- God's Word contains the power to bring itself to pass.

We Choose our Response

- Hearing, they hear not
- Let him that has ears to hear, let him hear – 11 times
- Let these words sink down into your ears

APPLICATION!

FAMILY LIFE

Dating

II Corinthians 6:14 - Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? **NKJV**

Communication

James 1:20 - For the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God. **NKJV**

Money

Proverbs 3:9-10 - Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; 10 then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. **NIV**

Sex

I Corinthians 7:3-5 – ³ The husband should fulfill his marital duty to his wife, and likewise the wife to her husband. ⁴ The wife's body does not belong to her alone but also to her husband. In the same way, the husband's body does not belong to him alone but also to his wife. ⁵ Do not deprive each other except by mutual consent and for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer. Then come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control. **NIV**

Children

Proverbs 22:6 - Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it. **NIV**