

THE HOLY SPIRIT



PART 6 - HEARING IN THE SPIRIT

In resource 5 we looked at being able to hear the Spirit Himself. We said the key to hearing the Holy Spirit, is knowing the Holy Spirit.

Everything in God is always interwoven, so just like the key to hearing the Holy Spirit, is knowing the Spirit, the key to hearing “in the spirit”, is also in knowing the Spirit.

Part 6 is “Hearing in the spirit.”

The first thing to recognise and realise is that hearing in the natural is nothing like hearing in the spirit. They are 2 completely different operating systems.

Wisdom of God - Wisdom of the world.

Paul said he doesn't come with superiority of speech or of wisdom. He said my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom. In other words, I no longer speak words which the natural speaks and in ways that can be grasped through the natural, but I do speak words which the spiritually mature hear and know.

As we looked at last week, Jesus said ***“He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches...”***

There are 2 kinds of ears.

Our natural hearing is just that, it's of the natural kind. It's earthly, physical, while spiritual hearing, is just that, it's of the spiritual kind, and requires us to be of the spirit. It requires us to know and live from the agency of the spirit, hence Romans 8 says, sons are led by the spirit.

The Holy Spirit speaks to our spirit
The Holy Spirit speaks a spiritual Word
The Holy Spirit speaks an instructional Word

They are of the same kind. It's like for like. It's apples for apples, it's not apples for oranges.

In resource 7 and 8 we will unpack what it is to hear the spiritual Word of God, for formation and what it is to hear His voice for function, because they are 2 different things, but are of the same kind - the Spirit.

You know when you are hearing in the Spirit, because intuitively within you, you recognise a different

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frequency, a different substance, a different sound. You have developed your spiritual senses through His grace, to hear and recognise the Spirit is speaking and what the Spirit is saying.

Your inner most being place is attuned to hearing His Word or hearing His voice.

You have become quick of spirit to hear the spirit and slow to speak.

James 1:19 This you know, my beloved brethren. But everyone must be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger;

1 Thessalonians 2:13 For this reason we also constantly thank God that when you received the word of God which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but for what it really is, the word of God, which also performs its work in you who believe.

The ability to hear in the spirit, whether it be the Word of God or His voice, is determined by the continuous growth and development of our inner man, through God's divine grace.

2 Corinthians 4:16 Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

QUESTIONS

1. How well do you hear in the spirit?
2. Why is it essential to hear in the spirit?
3. Would you say your inner man is being developed to hear in the Spirit and how?
4. What life is coming from hearing in the spirit?

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