



WHISPERS

HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

Part 2 - How to Hear God

To hear God's voice, we must find ways to be quiet and listen for the Lord to speak. God desires our closeness. He wants our unwavering Love. Developing a love relationship with the Lord changes us in the depth of our being. Let God have all of you as you develop a listening heart that is open to hear His whispers.

~ Larry Kreider

*And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own;
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.*

~ C. Austin Miles, *In the Garden*

If you know the Lord, you have already heard His voice – it is that inner leading that brought you to Him in the first place.

~ Loren Cunningham

Perhaps we do not hear the voice because we do not expect to hear it. Then again, perhaps we do not expect it because we know that we fully intend to run our lives on our own and have never seriously considered anything else.

~ Dallas Willard

Many times I thought I had heard the Lord's voice only to find that I had not. At other times, I felt like I was tuning a radio to a specific frequency—but I had to ignore the mass of static and strange voices coming in to zero in on the one voice for which I was searching. There are often so many thoughts running through my mind. What is, and is not, His voice?

~ Larry Kreider

When pondering God's communication with us, a healthy skepticism is not out of place... The messages people claim God has given them often sound too much like their own desires whitewashed in God-talk.

~ Jan Johnson

"This is what the LORD says, he who made the earth, the LORD who formed it and established it—the LORD is his name: 'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.

~ Jeremiah 33:2-3, TNIV

God wants to be wanted, to be wanted enough that we are *ready*, predisposed, to find him present with us. And if, by contrast, we are ready and set to find ways of explaining away his gentle overtures, he will rarely respond with fire from heaven.

~ Dallas Willard

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

~ Jesus (John 16:13, TNIV)