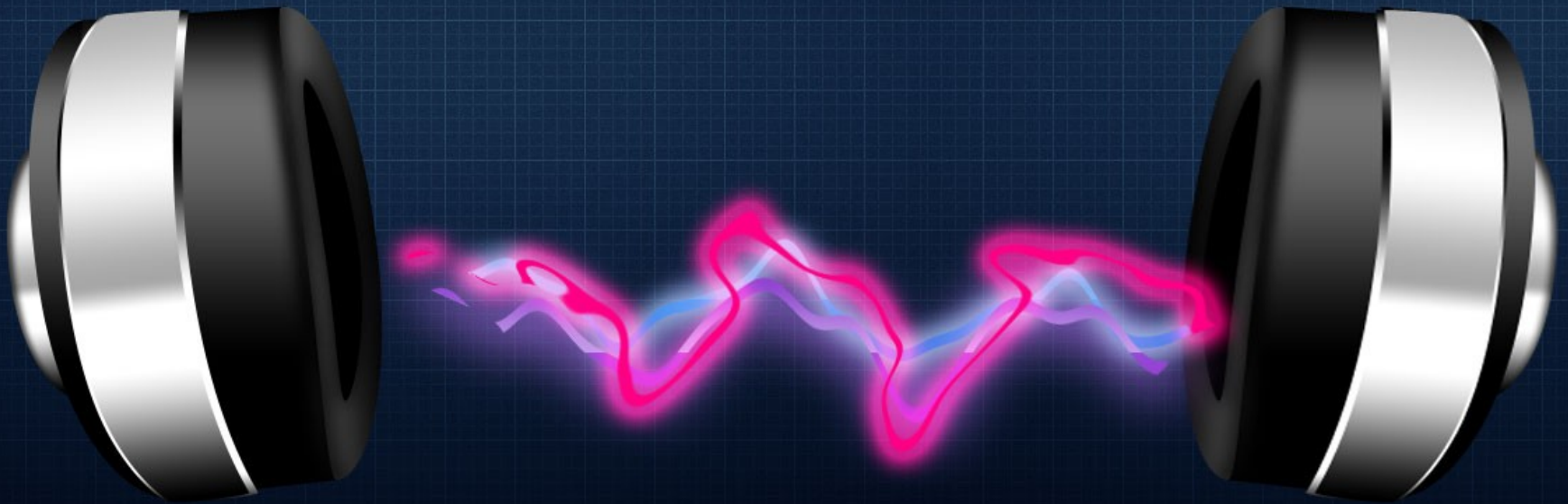


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tell it again**

Hearing God's Voice

Listening to & Recognizing the Different
Ways God Speaks to Us.



John 10:27

**”My sheep hear my voice,
and I know them, and they
follow me.”**

Many different ways you may hear from God:

- **The Bible:** In order to actually "hear" from God, we have to know some things about God's character. The Bible is your final authority – the standard by which you should check everything else you think God may be saying to you.

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work"

II Timothy 3:16-17

The Holy Spirit

- **The still small voice. Most of the time God uses a tiny voice inside us to let us know when we're not on the right path. God often speaks directly to your spirit in quiet yet powerful ways that nudge you to pay attention.**

“And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you”

John 14: 16-17

Circumstances/Timing

- **Sometimes the only way God can teach us something is to allow circumstances in our life to lead us to and through the very thing we need to discover.**

“I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.”

Psalm 32:8-9

Other People's Lives

- **Many times God will use other people to try to get through to us. You can learn valuable lessons from the way other people live their lives. If they make mistakes, you can see the results. If they live faithfully, you can be inspired.**

“Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord! Blessed are those who keep his testimonies, who seek him with their whole heart, who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways! You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently. Oh that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!”

Psalm 119:1

God's Actual Voice

- **Sometimes we're able to "hear" something in our spirit that sounds to us like an actual audible voice. Or all of a sudden, you just know you heard something. Pay attention to those occasions because it is very likely God trying to tell you something.**

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More Ways.....

- **Godly counsel**
- **Asking in Prayer**
- **Peace**
- **A journal**
- **Natural things**
- **Dreams**
- **Testimonies**
- **Different cultures**
- **Surprises**
- **The unique way God has made each of us**
- **Stories and parables**
- **Commonsense wisdom**
- **Fasting**
- **Discernment**
- **Rest**
- **Silence**
- **Confirmation**
- **History**
- **Blessings**
- **Miracles**
- **Visions**

Can't Hear God's Voice? Who Has The Problem?

- **God or You?**
- **God is always speaking, but you may not always be hearing Him.**
- **The Lord manifests Himself to us and through us as we humbly seek Him.**

"Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart."

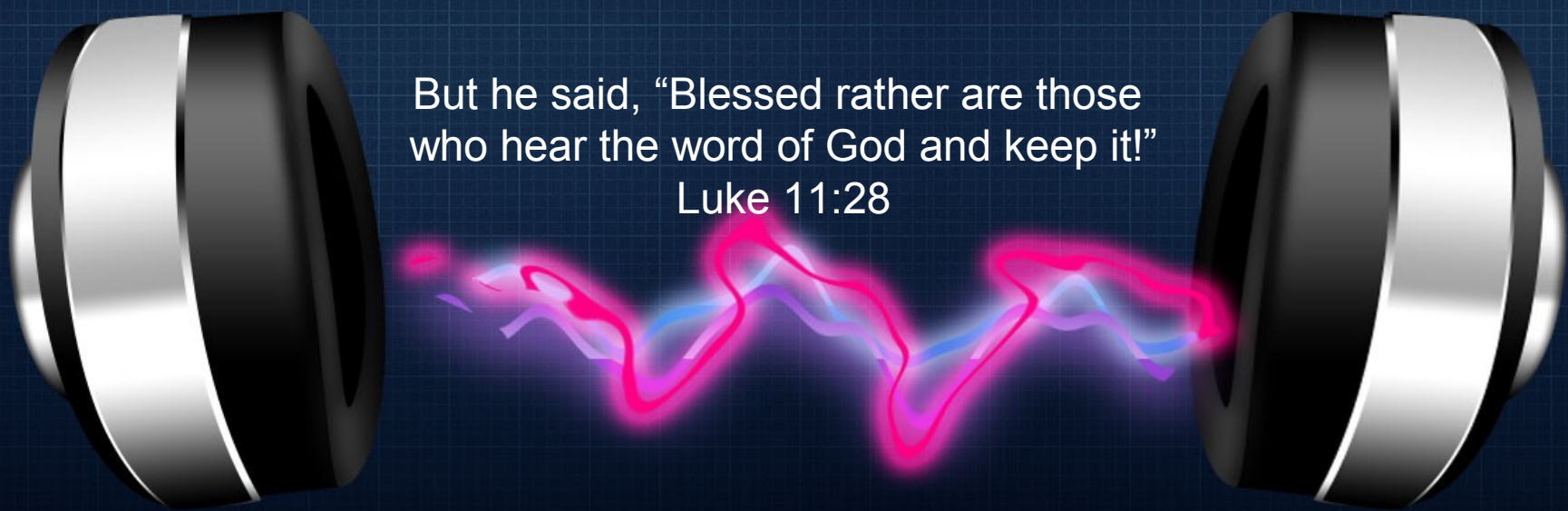
Jeremiah 29:12-13

Hearing from God is a learned skill.

- The most difficult part of hearing God is the fact that it takes time to learn to discern God's voice -- and it takes a humble heart.
- Notice how God is at work around you, and see what you can learn from it.
- Choose to trust God even when you don't understand what He's doing.
- Whenever He leads you to join Him in His work, decide to obey, and He will keep leading you.

**“God uses lots of things to talk to us.
But actually hearing from God isn't so
much a matter of *if HE'S* talking,
but rather, whether **WE'RE** listening.”**

-Karen Wolff



But he said, “Blessed rather are those
who hear the word of God and keep it!”
Luke 11:28