



A.M. Bible Study
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"God is Speaking, But Are We Listening?"

Opening Discussion:

- Why is discerning God's voice important?
- What makes it difficult to hear Him clearly?

Who & Why Does God Speak?

- To Those in Relationship with Him (John 10:14-16, 26-27)
- For Authority, Intimacy, Maturity, and Security (Proverbs 3:5-6)

How Does God Speak?

- Through His Word (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- Through Jesus (John 1:1; Hebrews 1:1-2)
- Through the Holy Spirit (John 14:26)
- Through Godly People - Prophets, Pastors, Wise Counsel (Biblical & Today)

How to Be Ready to Hear God:

1. Consistently spend time in Scripture & prayer.
2. Act wisely on what God is revealing now.
3. Seek counsel for confirmation.
4. Recognize that God's silence or a 'no' is still an answer, guiding you in His perfect will (Examples: Job, Paul).
5. Keep seeking even when God feels distant.
6. Stay spiritually alert to what God is doing (Eph. 5:15-21).

Caution:

- Move at God's pace (Gal. 5:25).
- Ensure what you hear aligns with Scripture.
- Trust God's timing, not your own.

Big Idea

"God is always speaking through His Word, Spirit, and circumstances, and our challenge is to listen, trust, and respond."



Personal Follow Up

- Create Space to Listen - Set aside daily quiet time for prayer and Bible reading, removing distractions to focus on God's voice.
- Test What You Hear - Compare what you sense God is saying with Scripture and seek wise counsel for confirmation.
- Obey Promptly - When God speaks, respond in faith and obedience, trusting His timing and direction in your life.

Book Recommendations:

- *Discerning the Voice of God* - Priscilla Shirer
- *Hearing God's Voice* - Henry Blackaby
- *Knowing God* - J.I. Packer