



**Basic Training**  
Becoming Absolutely Secure In Christ  
**Hearing and Discerning the Voice of God – Part -3**

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**Review and Introduction**

If you feel that God is speaking a message to you but you are not really sure if it is from God here are some good questions to ask yourself about the message:

- i. Does it line up with the Holy Bible, the written scriptures?
- ii. Does it lead you into a closer relationship with God, a greater unity with Him?
- iii. Does it lead you into expressing love, which is putting God's benefit and the benefit of others before your own?
- iv. Does it lead to a dying of yourself and a greater manifestation of Christ's life in you?
- v. Does it cause greater humility in you and a greater dependence upon God?
- vi. Does it cause greater love, joy, and peace from God in you?

*Have you ever heard the Master say something very difficult to you? If you haven't, I question whether you have ever heard Him say anything at all. ~Oswald Chambers*

**John 10: 3-5; 16**

I God speaks to us right where we are:

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| A. He spoke to Moses in a <b>DESERT</b> place.                 | <b>Exodus 3:4</b>      |
| B. He spoke to Hagar when she was <b>DESPERATE</b> .           | <b>Genesis 21:17</b>   |
| C. He spoke to Eli when he was living in <b>DISOBEDIENCE</b> . | <b>I Samuel 3:1-11</b> |
| D. He spoke to Lazarus when he was <b>DEAD</b> .               | <b>John 11:43</b>      |

II What are the proper hearing techniques:

It is not how loud God speaks or which tone he uses, rather it is, are we good listeners?

- A. **CONFIDENT** Listening: To discern God's voice and see Him working, we must approach Him expectantly and confidently.

**Hebrews 11:6; I John 5:14-15**

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B. **DELIBERATE Listening:** To be able to discern when God is speaking, we must deliberately turn our attention inward to consider how the Spirit is working in our conscience and causing scripture to resonate in our hearts.

**Romans 8:26-27; John 15:26; John 16:13**

C. **ACTIVE Listening:** To become an active listener, you need to engage all parts of your being – your body, soul, and spirit. You must control your body's urge to move around and your minds urge to wander, so your spirit will be open and receptive to the Lord's voice.

**Isaiah 6: 8-11; Daniel 9:3-5; Ezra 8:21-23**

D. **RELATIONAL Listening:** We tend to seek God's direction or blessing more than we seek Him. God wants us to know how to discern His voice as a result of knowing Him.

**John 14:18-21**