



EARS TO HEAR

APRIL SERMON SERIES



FOUNDATION SCRIPTURE
MARK 4:9

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And He said to them, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

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**He added, "Let the person who has
ears listen!"**

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HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

LESSON ONE



“EVERY BELIEVER SHOULD BE ON A
JOURNEY TO INCREASE THEIR
CAPACITY TO HEAR WHAT THE LORD
IS SAYING.”

THE BOOK OF 1 SAMUEL
CHAPTER 3:1-9

1 SAMUEL 3:1-9

The boy Samuel ministered before the Lord under Eli. In those days the word of the Lord was rare; there were not many visions. One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."

1 SAMUEL 3:1-9

So, he went and lay down. Again, the Lord called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord: The word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. A third time the Lord called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am you called me." Then Eli realized that the Lord was calling the boy. So, Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So, Samuel went and lay down in his place.

SAMUEL
"GOD HAS HEARD" OR
"NAME OF GOD."

SEVEN ACTION STEPS TO
HEARING GOD'S VOICE



1. GET HUMBLE.

"TRUE INTIMACY WITH
GOD ALWAYS BRINGS
HUMILITY."

HUMILITY IS THE
FOUNDATIONAL ATTITUDE
OF SPIRITUAL
TRANSFORMATION, AND
FOR HEARING GOD.

JAMES 4:6

**God opposes the proud but gives grace
to the humble.**



2. GET QUIET.

ECCLESIASTES 3:1,7

**There is a time for everything, and a season
for every activity under the heavens:
a time to be silent and a time to speak.**

PSALM 37:7

**Be still before the Lord
and wait patiently for Him.**

“IN THE SILENCE OF THE HEART GOD SPEAKS. IF YOU FACE GOD IN PRAYER AND SILENCE, GOD WILL SPEAK TO YOU. THEN YOU WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE NOTHING. IT IS ONLY WHEN YOU REALIZE YOUR NOTHINGNESS, YOUR EMPTINESS, THAT GOD CAN FILL YOU WITH HIMSELF. SOULS OF PRAYER ARE SOULS OF GREAT SILENCE.”

-MOTHER TERESA-



3. GET INTO
GOD'S PRESENCE.

PSALM 16:11

**“You will show me the path of life;
In Your presence is fullness of joy**



4. GET WISE
COUNSEL.

“NEVER ASK THE ADVICE OF
ANOTHER ABOUT ANYTHING GOD
MAKES YOU DECIDE BEFORE HIM. IF
YOU ASK ADVICE, YOU WILL NEARLY
ALWAYS SIDE WITH SATAN.”

-OSWALD CHAMBERS-



5. GET INTO THE
HABIT OF SAYING,
“SPEAK, LORD.”



6. GET INTO A
LISTENING MODE.

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STOP
LOOK
LISTEN



7. GET READY TO
ACT ON WHAT
GOD SAYS.

“SEE, I AM ABOUT TO DO
SOMETHING IN ISRAEL THAT WILL
MAKE THE EARS OF EVERYONE WHO
HEARS ABOUT IT TINGLE. AT THAT
TIME, I WILL CARRY OUT AGAINST
ELI EVERYTHING I SPOKE AGAINST
HIS FAMILY—
FROM BEGINNING TO END.

FOR I TOLD HIM THAT I WOULD
JUDGE HIS FAMILY FOREVER
BECAUSE OF THE SIN HE KNEW
ABOUT; HIS SONS MADE
THEMSELVES DETESTABLE AND HE
FAILED TO RESTRAIN THEM.
THEREFORE, I SWORE TO THE
HOUSE OF ELI, 'THE GUILT OF ELI'S
HOUSE WILL NEVER BE ATONED FOR
BY SACRIFICE OR OFFERING.

JOHN 10:27

Jesus said, “My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow Me”

“SPEAK, LORD, FOR YOUR
SERVANT IS LISTENING.”