

We Can Hear God by His Spirit!!

The desire of every Christian should be to hear the voice of their Heavenly Father. Over the years, that has been my desire; because I know that if I hear Father God, I will have faith to receive from Him. Faith is the hands that receives from the spiritual world where God our Father lives. God is a Spirit, and faith bridges the gap between the spiritual world and the natural world. Hearing God comes whenever a believer, who is born of God, listens for His voice on the inside of them. Many people think that God speaks to New Testament believers like He talked to Old Testament people. That is true at times, but the Old Testament saints were not born again; so God talked to them most of the time with natural things, like the donkey that talked to Balaam, or the burning bush from which the angel talked to Moses. Let's look at these accounts in the Bible.

Numbers 22:21-34 KJV And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab. [22] And God's anger was kindled because he went: and the angel of the Lord stood in the way for an adversary against him. Now he was riding upon his ass, and his two servants were with him. [23] And the ass saw the angel of the Lord standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and the ass turned aside out of the way, and went into the field: and Balaam smote the ass, to turn her into the way. [24] But the angel of the Lord stood in a path of the vineyards, a wall being on this side, and a wall on that side. [25] And when the ass saw the angel of the Lord, she thrust herself unto the wall, and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall: and he smote her again. [26] And the angel of the Lord went further, and stood in a narrow place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left. [27] And when the ass saw the angel of the Lord, she fell down under Balaam: and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with a staff. [28] And the Lord opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times? [29] And Balaam said unto the ass, Because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for now would I kill thee. [30] And the ass said unto Balaam, Am not I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden ever since I was thine unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto thee? And he said, Nay. [31] Then the Lord opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the Lord standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head, and fell flat on his face. [32] And the angel of the Lord said unto him, Wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these three times? behold, I went out to withstand thee, because thy way is perverse before me: [33] And the ass saw me, and turned from me these three times: unless she had turned from me, surely now also I had slain thee, and saved her alive. [34] And Balaam said unto the angel of the Lord, I have sinned; for I knew not that thou stoodest in the way against me: now therefore, if it displease thee, I will get me back again.

Exodus 3:1-12 KJV Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb. [2] And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. [3] And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. [4] And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he

said, Here am I. [5] And He said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground. [6] Moreover He said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God. [7] And the Lord said, I have surely seen the affliction of My people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows; [8] And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites. [9] Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto Me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them. [10] Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth My people the children of Israel out of Egypt. [11] And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? [12] And He said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.

In these two accounts in the Old Testament, God spoke through angels so that Moses and Balaam could hear with their natural ears. In the New Testament, He does speak to His people in the same way at time; but He doesn't want to be limited to this method. He wants to talk to us through our re-born spirits. Let's look at some Scriptures that bear this out.

Romans 8:15-16 KJV For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. [16] The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

1 Corinthians 2:10-14 KJV But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. [11] For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. [12] Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. [13] Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. [14] But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

We now have the Spirit of God in us; and as we learn to listen on the inside, He will lead us into a HolyGhost life filled with all of God's wonderful love and blessings.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

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This Week's Daily Bible Readings
Monday Exodus chapter 11

Tuesday Exodus chapter 12
Wednesday Exodus chapter 13
Thursday Exodus chapter 14
Friday Exodus chapter 15
Saturday Exodus chapter 16
Sunday Exodus chapter 17

*Upcoming Events

1. Women's Dance Aerobics: 10-11am Mon-Fri in the Gym
2. Mobile Prayer: Wednesday 2-3:30pm in our South parking lot; Friday 2-3:30pm Sam's Warehouse
3. Noonday Bible Study: In Sanctuary; live on KJRF 91.1fm; live stream on TCC app. 12:15 Mon-Fri
4. Women's Discipleship: Thursday 5pm in Sanctuary
5. Horse Ministry: Saturday 10am-1pm

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**Here is a list of the many gatherings we have for you to get together and fellowship with your brothers and sisters. Please take advantage of them, and you will bless yourself and others also.

Sundays * Prayer: 9am Lee Blvd entrance * Fellowship in Café 9:15-9:45 am. *
Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: -----Michael Whitley
Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul
Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins
Healing Class: -----Lester/Monica Witherspoon
Marriage Class:-----Danny/Demetrice Williams
Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham
Children's Sunday School: 6 months - 5th grade
Youth Services: -----Lucas/Cyndi Moore
Young Singles/College & Career — Eliav/Kim Nash

Daily * Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15am
* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream
on TCC app

* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri 10-11am in the Gym
Weekly * Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45am Main Service
* Wednesday night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth

area)

* Mobile Prayer: Wed 2–3:30pm Lee Blvd parking lot; Fri 2–3:30pm Sam’s

Warehouse

Monthly * Men's Meeting: 9am 1st Saturday of each month at Golden Corral

* Crosses at the Corner: 11am-1am Saturdays corner of Sheridan and Cache
Rd.

* Women's Meeting: 9am 2nd Saturday of each month in Fellowship Hall

* Women’s Discipleship: 3rd Thursday of each month 5pm in Sanctuary

* Horse Ministry: 10am-1pm 3rd Saturday of each month