

Ask Dr. Lillie

How Can I Know One Who Hears from God?

Question: How can I know if people who say they hear from God, really do hear from God?

Answer: A person who continues in a state of spiritual immaturity will never *know* his Father, who is Spirit, and therefore he cannot know and recognize His Voice. As long as a man continues to need someone else to tell him “what God is saying,” he can never know for himself what God has said in the past or what He is saying in the present. Therefore he is incapable of discerning the Voice of Truth and knowing the voice of error so that he may know his future.

Listening to many voices is like having a bunch of older brothers who are your only means of communicating with your earthly father; it is as though you are deprived of first hand, one-on-one contact and communication with your father. Your father desires and is willing to talk to you “face to face,” but your older brothers are always standing between you and your father and you have never heard your father’s voice or seen his form.

Your older brothers in this example are preachers and teachers who profess to have personal communications with the Heavenly Father -- but most of them do not. They have no ear by which to hear the Voice of Spirit, and they are relying upon their five senses and their faculties of reason and logic to interpret the letters for you that the Father has sent to all of us. Most of them are blind and do not know how to read “braille” (the letters and the Law), and you are a child that has never learned to read for yourself.

God is no respecter of persons! If God is your Father, why would you be content to allow someone else to read the letters and accept what “they” tell you that your Father has said in the written Word, or what He is saying now in the Spirit -- especially when your Father desires to have fellowship with you on a personal and one-on-one basis?

The Scriptures tell us that the written Word is our schoolbook, and that if we will follow the instructions given to us by the written Word that we will come to Christ. We know Christ to be the Light, which is the Spirit, the Source, the Mind, and the Life of the written Word. “Coming to Christ” means that we “come to God,” and coming to God means to partake of his Divine Nature. As we “put on” more and more of the attributes and Nature of God, we “put off” more and more of our old, carnal, sinful nature.

The Life and the Truth of the Word comes to one by revelation only! The Scriptures further tell us that “Christ,” who is the Light and Mind of the revealed Word of Truth, will bring us “**face to face**” with the Father and will reveal Him to us, allowing us to personally ask the Father about the things we desire to know of Him.

Matthew 6:5-7 (please read this Scripture) tells us exactly how we can have conversation with our Heavenly Father. ***Believe me when I tell you that “communion with God” is not eating crackers and drinking grape juice!*** I am aware that there will be those who will be offended by this word of Truth; nevertheless, it is true! When a man faces TRUTH, he has stood face to face with God -- HIS FATHER!

Our Heavenly Father is Spirit; therefore no one can communicate and have dialogue with his Spiritual Father except in the Spirit of his Mind! *If the Spirit of God (the Father) is in you, then it is there – in the Spirit -- where communion with Him will take place.*

The mysteries and secret things belong to God. It is in the secret place that the secrets are made known and the mysteries of Life are revealed. In the quiet, secret place of the heart one will find God, who is the Spirit and the Life of the Word, and discover the will of the Father. ***“There”*** he will have communion and fellowship with Him -- ***not*** in the loud and boisterous carnal ways of man. By prayer and meditation in the secret place, the secrets of God are known. One must *be still* -- and *stop running here and there, looking for God and searching to hear a word from God through the mouth of another -- no matter who they are.*

God is not lost!!! God is in you! If His Spirit is in you, then *in you* is where He (Truth) will be found, and where you can have fellowship and communion with Him! ***You can know the Father. And you can know that you know. Therefore do not be ignorant of this one thing: Get quiet, shut your mouth, and go inside of your own heart and stay there until you hear what the Father has to say to you!*** He will teach you all things that you need to know about the Law of Spirit and how to live your Life in and by the Spirit. The Spirit of Truth that is in you is the *only* one who can teach you and lead you into all Truth! (See John 14:26 and 15:13-16.) In this way you will have no need that any man teach you or tell you what your loving Father has to say to you.

As for me, I would rather cease to exist and never be remembered again rather than to not KNOW MY FATHER! ***The only way one can ever “know himself” is to know Who and What his Father is!***

This is not an allegory. This is rather the only way to please the Father, because *until you "hear" for yourself*, you can only "*hope*" that the voice or voices that you hear and follow have actually heard from God the Father. Hearing for yourself is the only way to know, if in fact, their words are seeds of Truth and that they are Life-giving!

Christ is our hope of reaching the Father, but if we do not follow ***the only Light*** that can lead us to the Father, how then will we ever find the Father?

Christ is ***not*** a man! Christ is a Spirit. Christ is the Light of Truth that shines in the consciousness of a man's mind. When the Word of Truth is alive in a man, the Truth and the Life in the Word is revealed and increases daily!

Christ is the Light of Mind and the Life of the Word of Truth. Without Christ, who is the revealer of Truth and the Life of the Revealed Word of Truth (Wisdom) -- out of which the Holy Knowledge of Truth (Understanding) is produced in us -- there is no Light of Mind and no Life in the body! If there is no Light (revelation or re-revealing of Truth in us), how then can we follow it to the Father? *And if we have the Light of Truth in us and fail to follow it "wherever it may lead us," the Light will go out. Producing the Light of Truth in us and keeping it alive to its "birth" is our only hope of salvation. One who loves Truth will keep the fire alive and the Light burning.*

Christ is the Light and the Life of our Soul (Mind) that will lead us to the cross -- the place where we pass from death to Life. Let every man pick up his own cross and follow the Light of Truth in him. One cannot get to the other side except he goes by way of his own cross -- ***his own Spirit and Light of Mind***. If a man will ever be able to walk in the Light of his own Truth, he is required to bear *his own* cross (crossing over to the other side) -- and this is not done through the cross carried by another man called "Jesus," or any other man.

God is Light; Light is Spirit; Spirit is Mind; and Christ is the Light and the Life of the Mind. God is *not* man! Therefore Christ is not man, for Christ is as his Father in Heaven is -- ***He is Spirit and He is Life***.

We must put off the mind, the light, and the spirit of the man of flesh and put on the Light (the Mind) and the Spirit of God. You as the "Son of Man" must be lifted up from the earth upon the cross, where you will crucify (cut off) the arm of flesh and the nature of the mortal senses. This is the death that every man is appointed to die *once!*

The arm of flesh is *one* branch of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. This is the knowledge that a man learns through the avenue of his five senses. This “branch” of the tree is the knowledge of evil and represents half of the tree. This half is known as the man of “sin” (senses).

You are the Son, the branch out of the Seed-of-Man that must be born again. This “arm” must be “cut off of the tree,” “die,” and be “resurrected” to newness of Life again. After it is grafted in the tree again, it will ascend to the Father *in bodily form*.

The Son-of-Man (the arm-of-flesh), who is lifted up on the cross (tree) where he puts off his sin nature, will come down from off the cross with the seed of a new Nature in him, and at the appointed time **he** will ascend to the Father. After the resurrection of the body, the Son-of-Man ascends up into heavenly places and enters into his rest (nest), where he “sits” down at the right hand of God, the Father. **He** will come again, without mortal senses, never to see death again.

Religion, the arm of flesh, can only continue to deceive you -- but the Truth and the way of Life in Spirit will set you free from the nature and law of *sin and death!* The “branches” that are cut off of the evil side of the tree of knowledge will be grafted in again on the “other side of the tree.” This is the man of the senses (sin) whose deadly wound was healed, and he is purged from his old ways and converted.

Our question was, “How can I know if another hears from God?” The simple answer is, ***“Hear from God for yourself and you will know the Truth of all others,” or the lack thereof.***

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