

Leading Through Prayer

Practice Three:

The Practice of Hearing God
(Listening)



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This practice is critical for those who endeavor to know the voice of God.

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Reflection Questions:

- 1. Who does most of the talking in your prayer life? Does prayer truly mean two-way communication with God?
- 2. Can you think of times when God has seemed to impress something on you even if you weren't consciously listening? What was God saying?
- 3. Can you honestly say to God, "I will do whatever you say"?



Pray...

- *Celebrate the Shepherd, who speaks so that you may hear His voice and follow Him.*
- *Thank God for telling you the truth about Himself, about ourselves, and about our world.*
- *Confess any lack of desire or personal failure in hearing God's voice.*
- *Ask God to open your heart to His impressions and to close you ears to the whisperings of the evil one.*
- *Intercede for those who are not listening to God's Word or the Holy Spirit but are straying from God's promptings.*

Act...

- Ask God how He wants you to treat a person with whom you have had conflict with. Make a commitment, in advance, to do what God says.
- Listen out for God's direction. Write down in your prayer journal what you think God is saying.
- Check that against the written Word of God. When you are sure you know what God is saying, do what He says.

