

HEARING FROM GOD [6]

FOLLOWING THE WAY OF THE LORD

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Isa 30:21 [NKJV] *Your own ears will hear him. Right behind you a voice will say, "This is the way you should go," whether to the right or to the left.*

Ps 143:8 [NKJV] *Cause me to hear Your lovingkindness in the morning, for in You do I trust. Cause me to know the way in which I should walk, for I lift up my soul to You.*

Isa 48:17 [NKJV] *Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, The Holy One of Israel: "I am the Lord your God, Who teaches you to profit, Who leads you by the way you should go."*

Ps 32:8 [NLT] *The Lord says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you."*

† There is only one way to follow and that's God's way. It leads us to countless blessings. One **commitment** can change our future and destiny!

† Many wonder just how to hear the voice of the Lord. The problem is, however, that not everyone knows how to respond or react correctly to the Lord. I hope to help you do so. Jesus said that His sheep would **know** His voice, so let us find out how.

1) The awareness of the reality of GOD.

Acts 9:1-9 [NKJV] *Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest² and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.³ As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven.⁴ Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?"⁵ And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, Whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads."⁶ So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord said to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."⁷ And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no one.⁸ Then Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw no one. But they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus.⁹ And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank.*

2) The correct response to the GOD the FATHER.

Isa 6:8 [NKJV] *Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."*

3) The revelation of the Kingdom of God.

Matt 13:44-46 [NKJV] *"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.⁴⁵ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls,⁴⁶ who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it."*

4) The realisation of our unique eternal purpose.

Ex 9:16-17 [NKJV] *"But indeed for this purpose I have raised you up, that I may show My power in you, and that My name may be declared in all the earth."*

Rom 12:1-2 [NLT] *And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all He has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice – the kind He will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship Him.² Don't copy the behaviour and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.*

5) Responding from the lower nature and poor self-image.

Exodus 3-4: Moses' inner conflict

- I. Who am I?
- II. Who must I say sent me?

- III. Suppose they don't believe me?
- IV. But I'm not eloquent!
- V. Send someone else!

6) The spiritual man's response.

Philip 3:7-21 [Kenneth S Wuest] *But whatever things were to me a gainful asset, these things I have considered a loss when it comes to my acquisition of Christ, and still so consider them. Yes, indeed, therefore, at least, even I am still setting all things down to be a loss for the sake of that which excels all others, my knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, which I have gained through experience, for whose sake I have been caused to forfeit all things, and I am still counting them dung, in order that Christ I might gain, yes, in order that I might in the observation of others be discovered by them to be in Him, not having as my righteousness that righteousness which is of the law, but that righteousness which is through faith in Christ, that righteousness which is from God on the basis of faith. Yes, for His sake I have been caused to forfeit all things, and I count them but dung, in order that I might come to know Him in an experiential way, and to come to know experientially the power of His resurrection and a joint-participation in His sufferings, being brought to the place where my life will radiate a likeness to His death, if by any means I might arrive at the goal, namely, the out-resurrection from among those who are dead. ¹²⁻¹⁴ Not that I already made acquisition or that I have now already been brought to that place of absolute spiritual maturity beyond which there is no progress, but I am pursuing onward if I may lay hold of that for which I have been laid hold of by Christ Jesus. Brethren, as for myself, as I look back upon my life and calmly draw a conclusion, I am not counting myself yet as one who has in an absolute and complete way laid hold [of that for which I have been laid hold of by Christ Jesus]; but one thing: I, in fact, am forgetting completely the things that are behind, and am stretching forward to the things that are in front; bearing down upon the goal, I am pursuing on for the prize of the call from above of God which is in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵⁻²¹ As many therefore as are spiritually mature [in a relative sense], let us be constantly of this mind. And if, as is the case, in anything you are differently minded, and that, in an evil sense, this also will God reveal to you. Only one thing, so far as we have come, let us keep our lives in the same path.*

7) The ensuing hunger for knowledge of His Word.

Ex 33:13 [NKJV] *Now therefore, I pray, if I have found grace in Your sight, show me now Your way, that I may know You and that I may find grace in Your sight.*

Philip 3:10-11 [NKJV] *That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, ¹¹ if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.*

8) The making of a true disciple.

John 8:31 [AMP] *So Jesus said to those Jews who had believed in Him, "If you abide in My Word [hold fast to My teachings and live in accordance with them], you **are** truly My disciples."*

John 15:8 [NKJV] *"By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will **be** My disciples."*

9) The sending out of a true disciple.

Acts 13:2-4 [NKJV] *As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Now separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."³ Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away. ⁴ So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went...*

10) The eternal reward.

2 Tim 4:1-8 [NKJV] *I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: ² Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. ³ For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; ⁴ and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. ⁵ But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil your ministry. ⁶ For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.*

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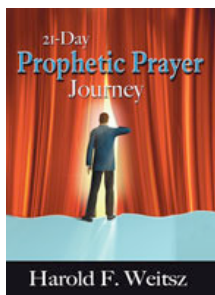
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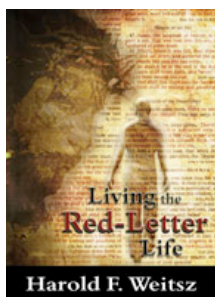
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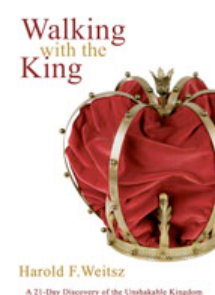
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