

**“GOS IS SUPREME IN 2019”**

**DEVELOPING A LISTENING EAR TO GOD**

 Isaiah 30:21

 **Bible Fact: God expects** for His chosen, i.e. saved people, to hear His voice in order for them to demonstrate and communicate an effective response of obedience and **acceptance** of His will.

**The Big Idea:** By developing a **sensitive spiritual ear** to the voice of God the faith, righteousness, peace, prosperity, power and joy of every believer will become more **personally rewarding** and to the glory of God.

**Lesson 13**

**Hearing: the ability to collect, process and interpret sound.**

**"...Men may spurn our appeals, reject our message, oppose our arguments, despise our persons -- but they are helpless against our prayers." ---Sidlow Baxter**

There are **12 spiritual resources and tools Christians must effectively use to develop a listening ear to God.**

1. **FAITH: Faith is THE spiritual source that Christians use to form and maintain their relationship with God. By faith Christians hear God and follow Him as a proper response to the voice of the Word of God.**
* **Faith = to follow God (in harmony or in agreement with God)**
1. **OBEDIENCE: the action performed after believing God**
2. **Obedience is spiritual compliance in faith as you hear from God;**
3. **PRAYER: the vehicle or instrument used to talk to God and to hear from God in**

 **relationship with Him (prayer is our modern-day cell phone)**

* **God requires a consistent prayer program or prayer routine**
	+ **The invitation to pray; Hebrews 4:16**
	+ **The believer’s confidence in prayer; I John 5:14,15**
	+ **The Christian model prayer; Matthew 6:9-13**
		- **Our Father = the PATRIARCH of prayer**
		- **Which art in heaven = the POSITION of prayer**
		- **Hallowed would be Thy name = the PRESENCE of prayer**
		- **Thy kingdom come = the PARTICIPATION of prayer**
		- **Thy will be done in earth = the PRODUCTION of prayer**
		- **as it is in heaven = the PLACE of prayer**
		- **give us this day our daily bread = the PROVISION of prayer**
		- **forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors = the PETITION of prayer**
		- **And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil = the PARDON of prayer**
		- **For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen = the eternal POWER of prayer**
	+ **Silent prayer; Psalm 5:1; 139;1-6**
	+ **Groaning prayer; Romans 8:26,27**
	+ **Daily morning prayer; Psalm 5:3; 88:13; 143:8; Isaiah 33:2**
	+ **Twice a day prayer; Psalm 88:1**
	+ **Three times a day prayer; Psalm 55:17; Daniel 6:10**
	+ **All night prayer; Luke 6:12**
	+ **Prayer and fasting;**
		- **Mark 9:28,29 for healing evil spirits**
		- **Psalm 35:11-13 fasting for** **deceitful evil people**
		- **Daniel 9:2-22 fasting for forgiveness of sin**
		- **I Corinthians 7:1-5 fasting to realign marital relationship communication**

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