



Episode 001

God Communicates (Part 1)

Introduction

God is our Heavenly Father. He loves to relate with us because we are His children. He is not a silent nor absent Father to us.

It begins with our heart posture to receive from Him. Positioning our hearts towards Father God.

Heart Postures

Heart of expectation towards our Heavenly Father

John 5:20 (NIV)

For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, to your amazement he will show him even greater things than these.

Approach God with an expectant heart, leaning our heart towards the Lord. Let that be our inner disposition.

Heart of faith in God

Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

Our Heavenly Father gives us good things from the goodness of His heart. Cultivate that inner conviction to continually check with God's Word because whatever we receive from Him will not contradict with His Word.



Heart that treasures God's prophetic words

1 Thessalonians 5:19 - 21 (NIV)

19 Do not put out the Spirit's fire; 20 do not treat prophecies with contempt. 21 Test everything. Hold on to the good.

Luke 2:19 (NIV)

But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

Some of you have received prophetic words over time. Transcribe prophetic words spoken over your life and review them from time and time again.

Understand however in every prophetic word, there is timing and even conditions attached to that word as well. Every word needs to be tested as well. Yet in faith you can still treasure God's prophetic word whilst awaiting for it to come to pass.

Heart that discerns God's communication

Proverbs 20:12 (NIV)

Ears that hear and eyes that see— the LORD has made them both.

John 10:14 - 16 (NIV)

14 "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me — 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

Pay attention. Let God's Word be your check and balance. Journal down those different occasions when God communicated with and see what pans out as you step out in faith, not out of presumption. It is a journey of faith in hearing God.



Heart that is sensitive to the Spirit of God

You need to train your senses in God.

Hebrews 5:12 - 14 (NIV)

12 In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! 13 Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. 14 But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

Train yourself in God to recognise the Presence of God and when He is near.

Tips

Little tips to know the sound of God's voice/communication:

- a) They are like your own thoughts, except that you sense them as coming from your heart. They are not premeditated. They are rather spontaneous.
- b) They are light and gentle and easily cut off by the exertion of self-thoughts, will and doubts.
- c) They will cause a special reaction within your being which is consistent with God's nature and His word (eg: excitement, conviction, faith, love, peace).
- d) When embraced they carry with them a fullness of strength and joy as you step out in faith before God.



Becoming still, being alert and being expectant.

Psalm 46:10 (ESV)

“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”

Let God be exalted over your life!

Discussion Questions

1. Do you believe that God desires to communicate with you and that you can receive from Him? What are some possible reasons why you may be hesitant to hear or receive from God? Unbelief, doubts or inadequacy? It all starts with our relationship with God.
2. How eager are you to hear/receive from God? Which heart posture would you need to adopt more in hearing God? What are some next steps you may need to take to cultivate more of that heart posture towards Jesus?





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