

SEEING & HEARING

Increased Sensitivity

I. We must be sensitive to His leading

- A. If you are born again the Holy Spirit is always doing His job, leading you-John 16:13
 - 1. Our disobedience doesn't effect His faithfulness to God to do His job
 - a. EX-Just b/c you don't listen to the GPS doesn't mean it quits doing its job
 - 2. Some people are more-led of him than others b/c they are more sensitive to His leading and more aware of Him
- B. One of the worst things that can happen to a believer is to get desensitized to the voice of the One who has been sent to lead you into God's best for your life
 - 1. His voice is the direction giving instrument that will lead you into God's best; There's nothing more important than hearing the voice of God & yielding
 - a. Proverbs 1:33-If yielding to his voice will keep you safe not yielding would be unsafe; if yielding to his voice would cause you to be at ease, to be at peace, then not yielding would lead you into uneasiness and torment
 - b. John 16:13-His voice will lead you into truth that will make free, set you apart, and keep you out of Satan's plan for your life
 - c. 1 Cor 2:14-His voice is designed to lead you to the experience of the promise
 - 2. The worst place a believer can be is the place where the spirit of God is speaking, but you are not hearing
 - a. EX: It's like the pilot being insensitive to the air traffic controller
 - b. It's not the pilot's job to decide where to go, it's His job to yielding to the leading
 - c. It's extremely dangerous for him to ignore or be insensitive to this direction
- C. We need to be ultra-sensitive to the voice of the Holy Spirit
 - 1. You shouldn't need six burning bushes to be lead to do something; that's being hard to work with; Don't be hard for the Holy Spirit work with
 - 2. How would you like to be leading somebody and they need you to tell them sixteen times and confirm it twelve more before they move
- D. We want to be so sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit, that he could just nudge us and we know that it is him---We need to be Rein trained believers
 - 1. The reins of your heart-Psalm 16:7, 139:13, 26:2
 - a. **Reins**-The strap of a bridle, fastened to the curb or snaffle on each side, by which the rider of a horse restrains and governs him---The instrument of curbing, restraining or governing
 - b. The reins are your inner most being-Psalm 26:2

- c. The reins of your heart will instruct you-Psalm 16:7
- d. God possesses the reins of your heart-Psalm 139:13
- 2. Don't be one who needs a bit in their mouth-Psalm 32:8-9
 - a. God will instruct you and teach you and guide you in the way should go, but he doesn't want to do it like the horse with a bit in his mouth
 - b. Some horses want their own head and you have to have a metal bit and bridle in their mouth and they yield to get away from the hurt in their mouth – Those are hard headed horses
 - c. A reign-trained horse doesn't have to have a bit in its mouth it's lead by the leather reign against his fur and when that leather gently presses against him that horse moves; He's so sensitive to that leather reign that if it just pushes up against him in the least he's moved by it
 - 1) When they sense that slight impression they just yield and go that way
- 3. We can train ourselves to follow the leadings of the Holy Spirit so that when we sense the slight impression of the Lord we are stopping and looking and listening
 - a. **Confess:** It's not going to be hard for the Lord to lead me; I yield & respond quickly & easily; He doesn't have to force me to do anything; he knows and I trust him with all my heart and when he speaks I move

II. You can't ignore the leading of the Holy Spirit and enter into God's best

- A. Hebrews 3:7-19-Being insensitive to Spirit's leading will keep you from God's best
 - 1. 8-They were unyielding to the voice of God
 - a. They heard and rather than yielding to it, they suppressed it, they pushed it down
 - 2. 10-If you always yielded to the Holy Spirit then you would never grieve Him-Eph 4:30
 - a. When you don't yield to His leading it grieves Him b/c you just got further away from God's best and He loves you and wants the best for you
 - 3. 10-They were led astray by their circumstances, the evil report, what it looked like
 - a. If you're not yielding to Spirit's leading, you're yielding some leading; You're being led by something
 - 4. 10-They didn't to **perceive** and **recognize** the ways of God
 - a. They thought Moses was missing it; they didn't recognize that what Moses was saying was the voice of God ("This can't be God b/c we're going to die here")
 - b. You need to know whether or not it is God
 - 1) You don't want to push something down that is God b/c you believe it's not
 - c. The reality is the more you practice this kind of life, the better you'll become at discerning God's voice versus the enemies voice
 - 1) They were not sensitive to God's voice or aware of it
 - 5. 12-Pay attention, be on guard so that you don't do this

- a. Be aware spiritually, be aware of your Spirit, & of the HS, **always looking within**
- b. There is always a way that seems right to man, but it isn't right-Proverbs 14:12
6. 18-19-You can't enter into God's best and ignore/be insensitive to the Spirit's leading
- B. The people who will be sensitive to and yield to the leading of the Holy Spirit will experience God's best in their lives-Psalm 81:11-16
 1. 11-They would not **hearken**-Yield to the Voice of God
 2. 12-God gave them up to their own hearts **lust**-hardness
 3. 13-16-If only they would have yielded to God's voice they would have had the best