EASE: LEARNING THE UNFORCED RHYTHMS OF GRACE

Jesus Lived By Seeing & Hearing

- I. When we look at Jesus the first three things you see are that He could do nothing of himself, He only said what he heard and did what he saw
 - A. John 5:19-Jesus only did what he saw
 - 1. AMP-The Son is able to do nothing of Himself (of His own accord); but He is able to do only what He sees the Father doing, for whatever the Father does is what the Son does in the same way [in His turn]
 - CEB-I assure you that the Son can't do anything by Himself except what he sees the Father doing.
 Whatever he sees the Father does, the Son does likewise.
 - 3. ERV-I assure you that the Son can do nothing alone. He does only what he **sees** the Father doing. The Son does the same things the Father does.
 - 4. GW-I can guarantee this truth: The Son cannot do anything on his own. He can do only what he sees the Father doing. Indeed, the Son does exactly what the Father does.
 - 5. HCSB-I assure you: The Son is not able to do anything on His own, but only what He **sees** the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, the Son also does these things in the same way.
 - 6. Phil-What the son does is always modeled on what the Father does
 - 7. NIRV-What I'm about to tell you is true. The Son can do nothing by himself. He can only do what he sees his father doing. What the Father does, the Son also does.
 - 8. YLT-The son is not able to do anything of himself, if he may not **see** the Father doing anything; for whatever things He may do, these also the Son in like manner doeth
 - 9. WYC-The son may not of himself do anything, but that thing that he sees the Father doing
 - 10. MSG-I'm telling you this straight. The son can't independently do a thing, only what he **sees** the Father doing. What the Father does, the Son does.
 - B. John 8:26-Jesus only said what he heard; Jesus speaks what he heard
 - 1. AMP-I have much to say about you and to judge and condemn. But He who sent me is true (reliable), and I tell the world [only] the things that I have **heard** from Him. 28 I do nothing of Myself (of my own accord or on my own authority), but I say [exactly] what My Father has taught me
 - 2. CEB-I do nothing on my own, but I say just what the Father has taught me
 - 3. ESV-I do nothing on my own authority, but speak just as the Father has taught me
 - 4. GW-I have a lot I could say about you and a lot I could condemn you for. But the one who sent me is true. So I tell the world exactly what he has told me.

- 5. PHIL-There is much in you that I could speak about and condemn. But he who sent me is true and I am only speaking to this world what I myself have **heard** from him. 28 I do nothing on my own authority but speak simply as my Father as taught me.
- 6. LEB-I do nothing from myself, but just as the Father taught me, I say these things
- 7. NLT-I have much to say about you and much to condemn, but I won't. For I say only what I have heard from the one who sent me, and he is completely truthful. 28 I do nothing on my own, but say only what the Father taught me.
- C. Jesus functioned his life through what he heard and saw from the Father
 - 1. John 4:34-My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.
 - 2. John 5:36-for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do,
 - 3. John 6:38-For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.
 - 4. John 7:16-Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.
 - 5. John 9:4-I must work the works of him that sent me,
 - 6. John 12:49-For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.
 - 7. John 14:31-And as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do.
 - 8. John 17:8-For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me;
- D. Don't over-spectacularlize this seeing and hearing-John 8:38
 - 1. Satan tries to keep people in confusion trying to make everything spectacular
 - 2. How were they seeing their Father? They wouldn't have called them visions, they weren't hearing audible voices, but something would come up in them and they'd see it (think about it) and then they'd go say it or do it not realizing it was the enemy revealing it to them; The are seeing and hearing inside
 - 3. Jesus was hearing and seeing inside
 - a. Mark 2:8-And immediately when Jesus perceived (To know, To find out) in his spirit
 - b. **John 6:61**-When Jesus <u>knew</u> in <u>himself</u> (Perceive, Notice, Discern, To Know, To get knowledge of)
 - 4. He didn't sit around and try to think of something to say; he communed with the Father and the Father showed him things and he went and did what he saw and said what he heard and great things happened
- II. Jesus could do nothing of himself; Jesus never just picked what he would say or do-John 8:28, 5:19,30 (NASB-I do nothing on my own initiative, but I speak these things as the Father has taught me)
 - A. Jesus could do nothing of himself (People have a hard time with that because they've seen Him incorrectly functioning as God in the Earth)

- 1. He's answering their statement that He has made Himself equal to God by saying, the son can do nothing of himself
- 2. Jesus didn't pick what he would do; If he said it it's because he heard first and if he did it is because he saw first
- B. ***We've made the mistake of picking what we are going to do and our grounds for doing it is because the Word says it***
 - 1. The Bible is a big book and all of it is true and you don't do all of it every time something comes up; when something comes up what part of it applies? How do you do it? What way do you do it?
 - a. Are you going to praise your way through, speak the word, pray in the spirit, or pray the prayer of agreement, anoint with oil? Are you going to lay hands on it, rebuke it, bind it, or loose it?
 - b. All of that is right, but not all of that is right at the same time for one thing
 - 2. We've thought because all those are in the Word **we** could just pick whatever one **we** wanted and it'd work; that would be fine if that's what Jesus did
 - a. If you just pick one it's in the flesh and it won't amount to anything
- C. ***There's a specific thing to do and to say for every situation and without **that thing** there will be no victory; this is the wisdom of God***
 - 1. Many times we pick something scriptural to do and then in our own efforts we are going to do something, never even bothering to look inside, and that is the flesh; you in yourself and in your own efforts trying to do something and if Jesus said he could of his own self do nothing what makes you think you can-John 6:63, 2 Corinthians 3:6, Romans 7:6)
 - 2. You don't choose what you say, you don't pick what you do (even if what you're going to pick to say and do is scriptural)
 - a. What it ends up being is you alone in a corner with a principle just doing something in your own efforts, that you haven't seen or heard
 - b. When I face a situation the first thing I do is look inside-Proverbs 4:7
 - 3. People have learned that we have authority in the name of Jesus and that we say it and believe it so then they just go say in the name of Jesus and nothing happens and they don't realize it's because you did it in the flesh
 - a. We've learned some things about faith and authority but without this part of it those parts are inadequate
 - 1) You can't separate faith and the principles from being led by the Spirit
 - Jesus said I don't do anything of myself; Jesus didn't do things like that; Jesus said I can of my own self do nothing; Jesus didn't just go and say and do things; he only said what he heard and he only did what he saw

- b. Faith and authority are right, but the reason it's not producing is because people are doing it in the flesh
 - People have thought it's just by faith and I just decided to go say and do; Jesus never said I just went and did it by faith alone; he did what he did by faith and by seeing and hearing
- c. If it's just you and something you decided to do it's flesh and it means nothing
 - It doesn't matter if you're quoting scriptures or rebuking or binding if you just chose to do it and picked something to do it's in the flesh
 - The reason this is a problem is because so many times folks don't want to live right; they don't want to live holy and close to the Lord; they want to live carnal, they want to live fleshy, but then they want do the spiritual thing when the need something, but they are trying to do spiritual things in the flesh
 - 3) You can't live carnal and just be a complete flesh individual and learn faith principles and go one, two, three, bingo; you actually have to pray and know God, walk with the Lord and hear from Him and see from Him
 - The servant is not above his master; if Jesus had to pray and wait on God and walk close with Him and say I can't do anything of myself, I have to see it, I have to hear it then we're not going to be able lay around and watch 12 hours of TV and not know God or scriptures and just jump up and say in the name of Jesus and have amazing things happen
- a) We're going to do it the exact same way Jesus did it
- 4. We've just resorted to doing what we've heard or seen others do rather than hearing and seeing the Father do it
 - a. The sad thing is, then we hear somebody else say something like, "I curse you from the root," and they get results so then we go to cursing from the roots or we hear about somebody paying somebody else's car payment and then the Lord blesses them with a knew car so then we go to making a car payment; We hear somebody plead the blood and get results so we go to pleading the blood, we hear somebody speak to the mountain so we speak to it, we hear somebody use the name of Jesus so we use it, he hear somebody speak the Word so we speak it and the reality is the blood works, speaking to the mountain works, the name of Jesus works, the Word works, but you're trying to get results without seeing and hearing and it doesn't work like that
- D. The word says wisdom is the principle thing and it's hasn't been anything to us-Prov 4:7
 - 1. Wisdom hasn't been the tenth thing to us; the problem has been we do all we know to do, instead of doing what see saw and heard from him to do; when we do all we know to do and nothing works, then we start seeking for wisdom

- 2. When you talk about knowledge you're talking about information/revelation that has been accumulated; but wisdom knowing how to use and apply the knowledge you gained for the specific situation you're in and it comes by seeing and hearing from the Father
- 3. You don't just go to releasing your faith, you don't just go to praying, you don't just go to binding, loosing, and rebuking; the first thing that you do is look inside Father what do I say, what do I do; That's what the Master did & that's what will get results
- E. We see an effectiveness in Jesus' ministry that is unlike anything we've seen
 - 1. The reason he was so effective was because of this principle right here; he only said what he heard and did what he saw

III. To do the works that Jesus did we are going to have to do what Jesus did and he heard and spoke and saw and did and then the Father would work through and great things would happen

- A. John 14:12-We can do the works that Jesus did and greater works
 - 1. People have taken Jesus has their moral example, but have taken the spiritual supernatural part of Jesus' life and put it in a category unattainable to us
 - a. They say all that calming storms, speaking to trees, healing people that was for Jesus because he was the son of God and we can never do that, but we can endeavor to live a moral good life like he did; that's not true
 - b. We are supposed to have a spiritual life like Jesus has as well as a moral good life
 - 2. Jesus credits the Father in Him to the works that were done
 - a. To many people get focused on themselves: Can I do it? Do I have enough faith? Can I heal them? Can I set them free?
 - b. Jesus couldn't do anything of those things of himself, so neither can you
 - 3. These works are closer to us than we have thought; this is closer to our reach and it can happen easier and quicker in us and through us than we might have imagined
- B. ***John 5:1-9-We can do the same kind of works Jesus did if we will by the spirit see and hear like he did in the spirit and then by faith we've got to say what we heard and do what we saw***
 - 1. The Father worked and Jesus worked: what was Jesus' work?
 - a. According to Jesus he didn't heal this guy, but rather it was the Father in Him
 - b. How did this happen? Jesus saw the Father do it and then he did what he saw and said what he heard and the Father in Him did the work
 - c. Jesus' work was seeing and doing and hearing and saying
 - d. It was the father in Jesus that did it and the way he did is He showed him
 - 2. Jesus went up to the pool to minister to that man because that's what he saw and he said what he heard; he didn't ask that question off of the top of his head or pick this guy at random

- a. That man was lying there for 38 years how come Jesus didn't do anything before when he passed him? How come Jesus didn't heal all these other sick people?
- 3. If we are interested in doing the works that Jesus did we have to get interested in hearing and seeing the way he did
 - a. We've been strong on the faith part, but weak on the vision part---Strong on principles weak on perception
- 4. Mark 7:32-They tried to get Jesus to lay hands on him, but he wouldn't
- C. ***It's not that Jesus has more power than you; you have the same Holy Ghost, the same power; it's that he was led better-Acts 10:38, John 8:29***
 - 1. It's not just that he had the power to do something it's that he knew what to do; the mountain is not the problem you have power to move the mountain; man's own ignorance is his mountain
 - 2. The leading of the Holy Spirit is connected to supernatural results
 - a. Not being led by the Spirit will keep you from the supernatural
 - b. You can't get something supernatural without doing something supernatural and you can't do something supernatural without knowing something supernatural
 - 3. We've missed it because rather than getting it from the Holy Spirit WE decided let's do something by faith

IV. This is why Jesus' life was so unforced-Matthew 11:27

A. He's never trying to work anything up or do anything in himself of his own power