

HEARING GOD



³ The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep **recognize his** voice and come to him. He calls his own sheep **by name** and leads them out. ⁴ After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him because they **know his voice**.

John 10:3-5 (NLT)



⁵ They won't follow a stranger; they will run from him
because they **don't know his voice.**"

John 10:3-5 (NLT)



"If God doesn't speak today, then the greatest disservice we could ever do to people is to tell them they could have a personal relationship with God".

Dallas Willard



Logos (λόγος)

the written Word of God (the Bible)

Rhema (ῥῆμα)

a personal, specific word from God to an individual



"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every **word** (rhēma) that proceeds from the mouth of God."

Matthew 4:4 (NKJV)



God Speaks To Facilitate Friendship



...the Lord would speak to Moses face to face, as one
speaks to a friend.

Exodus 33:11 (NLT)



God Speaks To Give Guidance



Listen for God's voice in everything you do,
everywhere you go;
he's the one who will **keep you on track.**

Proverbs 3:6 (MSG)



God Speaks To Provide Perspective



⁷ For we walk by faith, not by sight.

2 Corinthians 5:7 (NKJV)



¹¹ “Go out and stand before me on the mountain,” the Lord told him. And as Elijah stood there, the Lord passed by, and a mighty windstorm hit the mountain. It was such a terrible blast that the rocks were torn loose, but the Lord was not in the wind.

1 Kings 19:11-12 (NLT)



After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. ¹² And after the earthquake there was a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there was the sound of a gentle whisper.

1 Kings 19:11-12 (NLT)



He Whispers Encouragement



¹⁶ For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we
are **God's children.**

Romans 8:16 (NLT)



Pay attention, come close now, listen carefully to my
life-giving, life-nourishing words. I'm making a
lasting covenant commitment with you, the same that
I made with David: sure, solid, enduring love.

Isaiah 55:3 (MSG)



I see you.

It's ok, I've got you.

You are mine.



He Whispers Warnings



⁶ Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia, they were **forbidden by the Holy Spirit** to preach the word in Asia. ⁷ After they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the **Spirit did not permit** them.

Acts 16:6-7 (NKJV)



Don't do it.

End the secret.

Get help.



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.

Isaiah 30:21 (NLT)



He Whispers Direction



²² “And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there.

Acts 20:22 (NIV)



Slow down.

Do it now.

Take your next step.



He Whispers Dreams



¹⁴ For God does speak - now one way, now another -
though no one perceives it.

¹⁵ In a dream, in a vision of the night...

Job 33:14-15 (NLT)



Go all in.

Give God your best.

Make a difference.



**WELCOME
HOME**

