



EARS THAT TRULY HEAR

📖 Matthew 11:15, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

Most believers respond when the Holy Spirit brings comfort or conviction, yet few press onward into the deeper fellowship of hearing God’s voice in daily life. Jesus’ words are both an invitation and a challenge. To “*have ears to hear*” is not merely to possess ears, but to **cultivate** a spirit sensitive enough to recognize God’s voice in the noise of ordinary moments.

“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will

disclose it to you.” John 16:13-14

Hearing God at a higher level requires the whole inner life to come into **harmony** with His Spirit. The mind, shaped for earthly reasoning, must be **renewed** by the Word of God, so that truth becomes its **native language** rather than its foreign tongue (Romans 12:2). As the Word takes root, the soul begins to agree with the recreated spirit within us, where the Holy Spirit whispers wisdom: “*Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.*” Rom. 12:21

Our emotions, so quick to rise and overwhelm, must learn the stillness that comes from dying to self. Only a quiet heart can discern the gentle movements of God. And our will, that insistent “***I want***” within us, must be crucified daily. A surrendered will creates internal silence, and in silence the voice of God becomes unmistakably clear.

The Lord longs not only to guide us but to commune with us. **Guidance** shapes our steps, **communion** shapes our hearts. Both are necessary if we are to grow into mature sons and daughters who hear Him not only in crisis, but in the quiet flow of daily life (1 Cor. 3:1-3).

🌿 Reflection:

... Have I cultivated a spirit quiet enough to hear God beyond comfort and conviction?
 ... Which part of my inner life, mind, emotions, or will, needs to be surrendered so I may hear Him more clearly?