

Discerning The Voice of God, *How to Recognize when God is Speaking* Session 3 Chapters 5 & 6

Aim: At the conclusion of this lesson we will be better equipped to recognize and acknowledge God's voice as being persistent and personal

Scriptures: **Psalm 62:11-12 (NASB)**

Once God has spoken; twice I have heard this: that power belongs to God; And loving kindness is yours, O Lord, for you recompense a Man according to his work.

God said this once and for all; how many times have I heard it repeated? "Strength comes straight from God." Love to you, Lord God! You pay a fair wage for a good day's work. (The Message Bible)

Isaiah 45:3 (NASB)

"I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden wealth of secret places, so that you may know that it is I, The Lord, the God of Israel, who calls you by your name.

I'll lead you to buried Treasures, secret caches of valuables—confirmation that it is in fact, I God, the God of Israel, who calls you by your name. (The Message Bible)

Dividing The Word: (Establishing principles of God through scriptures)

- The Lord Spoke to Jonah (Verse 1) **God spoke directly**
- The Lord sent a great wind upon the sea (Verse 4) **God spoke through circumstances**
- The captain went to Jonah (verse 6) **God spoke through another person.**

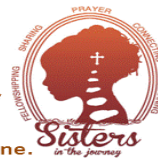
God repeats Himself to make sure we get the **message**.

God is able to arrange events in such a way that they make His **people** realize He is **speaking to them**.

God is **working** all **around** us.

By God's grace, each **miscalculation** is another opportunity He **transforms** into the greatest **teacher** for hearing Him in the future.

God **knows** me/you **personally**.



Developing and Discussion

What themes or patterns in both your spirit and external circumstances are you discerning is God's leading?

- Complete form and share briefly

As a result of reading this chapter and lesson would you say you are sensing God's voice as fear, guilt or intimidation or whether its foundation is love, care and concern of your loving Father.

Discerning Truth in my Daily Life (Your relationship is Personal)

God's goal is never to bring **guilt** and **condemnation** by continually reminding us of our past sins. Isaiah 43:25

You'll know God's voice by its **loving, personal** tone.

The **character** of God will come shining through when He **speaks** to you.

Learning to recognize the **difference** between the enemy's **condemning** voice and God's **convicting** voice is a great **tool** for determining God's leading in your life.