

The True Voice

“Jesus used this illustration, but they did not understand the things which He spoke to them. Then Jesus said to them again, “Most assuredly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who ever came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture”

(John 10:26-29)

Jesus often spoke to His followers through real life imagery and analogies, connecting the practical things of their daily lives to spiritual truths. Here he used the very familiar picture of a shepherd and sheep to teach them about discerning the voice of God, but it seems that they did not understand. Jesus was speaking loud and clear to His disciples, but the message was not hitting home because their hearts were not tuning in to the spiritual revelations that He was releasing to them. Many of us may believe that God does not speak to us, but the problem may be that we are not hearing Him or that we may not be distinguishing His voice from the other voices we hear.

Today, the Lord Jesus reminds us that He is the “door” and the way into all the goodness of God. The sheep in Jesus’ analogy were able to reject the false voices because they knew the True voice and knew that was the voice to follow. Friend, the enemy may have tried to block your spiritual ears, or confuse you, but you and I were created to know our Shepherd’s voice and respond to it. There is something deep inside our spirit which was programmed to hear and discern the voice of our Savior because He is in us and we are in Him. When He speaks, there is a response within our hearts, a stirring from deep to Deep (Psalm 42:7). The desires and feelings within our hearts are usually the result of the voices we have heard and received, and when we receive the voice of Jesus, we are touched and transformed! His voice carries a frequency which resonates inside your spirit and leaves a mark like no other voice can do. You are regularly motivated in one way or the other because His voice is silently influencing you deep down in your inner being, although you may not consciously realize it. You do hear Him and you are discerning His voice, even unknowingly.

It is so powerful to be able to hear and discern the voice of the Lord, but He is the Door. This means that it is only through a living relationship with Jesus that we can enter into all the beauty of communication with the Bridegroom King. It is all about the heart to heart encounter, the day to day fellowship we can know. It is easy to slip into prayer and times with God because we want to be effective in our work, life or ministry, but the Holy Spirit is drawing us into relationship. He is calling us into intimacy. He wants us to truly know Him the way He knows us, and to allow ourselves to be drawn into the infinity of His amazing love and power. There is no end to this glorious journey. There is no end to the knowledge of His eternal love.

Jesus said “If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.” Many of us have experienced the amazing grace of salvation through the precious blood sacrifice of Jesus and this is God’s wonderful indescribable gift, but this is only the beginning! We enter into Him, the Door, and into all the reality of eternal life,

the love of the Father, the glory and gifting and fellowship of the Holy Spirit, and deeper and greater revelations of heavenly things which He has already given us the capacity to know and understand. We can go “in” through our relationship with Him and then “go out and find pasture”. Everything we could ever need in this life – whether material, physical, or spiritual – is all already made available to us. He has nations and territory for His kids to conquer because we are joint heirs with Jesus Christ, and citizens of the Kingdom, hallelujah! There is no limit to what we can experience and how far we can fly when we stay in intimate relationship with our Lord and respond to His voice.

Dear friend, God is calling you into a closer walk with Him. He has more for you than you could ever know and it flows from the person and presence of Jesus. Hear the voice of the Lord loud and clear today as He says “Step in through the Door and come up higher” (Revelations 4:1). He wants to lead you into the “pastures” that have been prepared for you. I declare the power of the Holy Spirit upon you as He breaks confusion, darkness and spiritual deafness off hearts and minds today. I break off the lie that told you that you do not hear your Father’s voice, in Jesus’ mighty name. There is a new clarity coming upon you as you confess “I do hear the voice of my Lord and I hear it well”. He has been guiding you in multiple ways that you may not have discerned up to this time, but you are now stepping into a season of certainty, where you will feel His voice within your heart and know what you are meant to do. I see those green pastures opening up before you. I see a way where there seemed to be no way. I see that what seemed to be impossible is becoming possible, hallelujah.

You are so loved and cherished by God dear friend, and He only has the very best for you. Receive this word into your life and let it meet your need. Let the power of the Holy Spirit break through every barrier and release you into the glory of Abba’s perfect plan, as you hear His voice, in Jesus’ mighty name, amen!

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