

# SELECTIVE HEARING

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I know if we here at Gathering at His Feet have been going through changes then certainly our readers have too. In going through changes, we have the opportunities to hear the voice of the Lord as we go because the Bible tells us that He will lead and guide us. **John 10:27 – My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.**

Who needs to be guided when they already know where they are going? So it makes sense that the leading and guiding are into new territories. When we are going somewhere we have never gone before, we usually turn to a map, GPS, or someone who knows the area for directions. If we don't listen to instructions or directions, we end up lost, going around in circles, frustrated, late for our appointment, or worse. The above scripture is not just about hearing but it's about following through with what you hear.

Listening to the Lord for daily direction is very important. If we are only tuning Him in on occasion or when desperate then we've missed the point. Now I know that sometimes things happen beyond our control and it's a full blown spiritual attack meant to catch us off guard, distract us or blow our plans to glorify God, but we need to be truthful with ourselves and be transparent with one another to the point of admitting if we are being obedient. Hearing and obedience go hand in hand and obedience will bring the blessings in your life over and over.

Many of us tend to only listen when it's convenient for us or when it fits what we want to hear. If it gets too personal, or requires sacrifices that we aren't willing to give up, then we are quick to shut our hearing switch off and that's when listening to God becomes selective. When we decide when to listen to Him and what is good for us and what isn't, we are heading for trouble.

Can I be so bold as to give you an assignment today? Take 5 minutes somewhere in your day and inquire of the Lord. Ask Him to speak to you and tell Him that you want to be obedient and wait on Him until you hear His voice. If you don't hear anything, do it again the next day and the next day and keep on asking because in doing so, you are being obedient to **Matthew**

7:7 & 8 – Ask and it will be given to you, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened to you. 8. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

Friends, God is FOR you – He will not put you on ignore even when we choose to ignore Him. He is Faithful and Forgiving and Ready for you to come to Him and He wants to use you right where you are. Start to listen and see if there is anything you are missing. God will never let you down!

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