

I Need a Word

"We do not know what to do, but our eyes are upon you..."
(II Chronicles 20:12 NIV).

Ever need a word from God to help you through something? Have you ever been faced with a situation that left you utterly baffled? I am currently living there (grin). The other day I was driving back from what felt like my one hundredth trip (sarcasm) to Home Depot. I began mulling over the events of my life when a song came on the radio and I burst out crying. I've never heard the song before and suddenly found myself drawn into what I was hearing: (*"I Need a Word"* - Smokie Norful)

*The noise of my day, The depression that steals my voice.
The confusion that arrests my life, So I can't even make a choice.
Oh, I need a word. Tell me which way to turn,
I need a word, Tell me which way I should go,
I need a word, To tell me just what to do.
Please send a word, God I need to hear from you.
Drown out the noise, Let me hear your voice, I need a word from
you.*

I want you to understand something. It takes a lot to make me cry when it concerns my personal life (even though I cry easily over others who are experiencing pain or suffering). However, I am human like you and have a breaking point and well, I had hit mine. Oh boy, had I hit mine!

In the midst of this very difficult season, I am being pulled from every angle and the Lord has been pretty much silent for the most part. I have tried to continually make choices over my life to live in a way that honors God. I have given up everything to follow Him and His ways. I live by the Word and yet once again I am baffled at life's events and find His silence is disheartening.

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I know He wants to speak when circumstances are the most bleak, and I continue to search His Word for the truth. For me, I do this even more when I am going through times of uncertainty, doubt, fear or hopelessness. And it's in these times that I often turn to the book of Hebrews to build my faith.

You know, "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see" (Hebrews 11:1) or "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him" (Hebrews 11:6).

I totally understand that God's timing is so different from mine. Even when God seems silent, I know what He said will come to pass regardless of what is happening around me. Yet, there are times when I just need a Word from Him. I feel like many of you can totally identify with what I am saying.

I know there are many of you who feel like you are going to have a breakdown if something doesn't give soon. It seems like there is so much coming against you and you feel like there is no way out. You are finding it difficult to pray, you are tired mentally from the battles and the physical stress has hit your body hard.

I want to encourage you (and me):

He sees and He knows all that you're going through. God is your divine deliverer. He wants you to keep casting those cares upon Him. He is calling you to come to Him, you who labour and are heavy laden, and He wants to give you rest from the battle raging around you (Matthew 11:28). You need to cling to God for He is about to bring deliverance in your situation. He knows just how much you can take, and He has promised not to give you more than you're able to bear. Don't look back. Don't be afraid of what's happening. He will provide. Walk boldly into the future. The Word of God always accomplishes all that He has sent it forth to do. He has equipped you with everything you need to be successful. Embrace the truth of His Word and nothing else!

Here's the song by Smokie Norful - with Lyrics below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lx7q5SY4lpQ>

The noise of my day, The depression that steals my voice.
The confusion that arrests my life, So I cant even make a choice.
Life seems so loud, Ive been too proud. So Lord what do I do?
I just need a word from you.

Oh, I need a word. Tell me which way to turn, I need a word,
Tell me which way I should go, I need a word,
To tell me just what to do. Please send a word, God I need to hear from you.
Drown out the noise, Let me hear your voice, I need a word from you.

Oooh, oh, I just got bad news, Life just darkened my day.
My family is in need, And I just cant seem to make a way, oh.

Life seems so loud, Ive been too proud. But I'm asking you now,
Lord, send a word from you.

I need a word. Tell me which way to turn, I need a word, Tell me which way I should go,

I need a word, Tell me what should I do, Lord. I need a word, I need a word from you.
Drown out the noise, Let me hear your voice, Oh Lord, I know I need a word from you.

I hear you Lord, I hear you say.. Stand still and know that you are God
Stand still and believe you'll work it out,
Stand still and see my victory walk right in- Cause with you, I will win.

I need a word. Greater is he that's in me than he that's in the world
I need your word. No weapon formed against me shall be able to prosper.
Drown out the noise, Let me hear your voice, I need a word.. From you!