

## Hearing God – Lesson 3

John 10:27 Amplified Bible (AMP)

<sup>27</sup> The sheep that are My own hear My voice *and* listen to Me; I know them, and they follow Me.

John 10:25-32 New Living Translation (NLT)

<sup>25</sup> Jesus replied, "I have already told you, and you don't believe me. The proof is the work I do in my Father's name. <sup>26</sup> But you don't believe me because you are not my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one can snatch them away from me, <sup>29</sup> for my Father has given them to me, and he is more powerful than anyone else.<sup>[a]</sup> No one can snatch them from the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> The Father and I are one."

<sup>31</sup> Once again the people picked up stones to kill him. <sup>32</sup> Jesus said, "At my Father's direction I have done many good works. For which one are you going to stone me?"

John 8:47 New Living Translation (NLT)

<sup>47</sup> Anyone who belongs to God listens gladly to the words of God. But you don't listen because you don't belong to God."

Psalms 119:79 New Living Translation (NLT)

<sup>79</sup> Let me be united with all who fear you,  
with those who know your laws.

Ephesians 4:3 New Living Translation (NLT)

<sup>3</sup> Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace.

When we know God's voice it builds confidence in what we feel He has told us to do.

We know His voice by:

- The Spirit – The Spirit lives on the inside of us and helps us interpret and understand what God desires for us to know
- We develop a knowing of His voice by our relationship with Him
- The more we study His word the closer we will be to Him

When we speak about hearing God it is not with a natural ear but that which is spiritual. Therefore it is not really the ear but the heart that hears.

How does this happen? – Through a genuine relationship with the Father.

What trains our heart to hear God?

- His Word
- Prayer
- Living Holy before God

When the heart hears, it attaches itself to the beauty of who God is and what He commands. The depth, capacity and willingness of the heart to hear what is truth is amazing.

