

People are losing confidence...

Isaiah 5:20–23 (NASB95)

Ezekiel 44:23 (NKJV)

Hebrews 5:12–14 (NKJV)

What hearing God looks like; how it can happen:

God may prompt you to do or say, but there may be no direct connection to the person's _____.

You won't hear *or respond* _____ every time. But you will never learn to discern if you don't try (with integrity).

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (GNB) ; Ecclesiastes 11:4 (The Living Bible)

James 3:13–17 (NKJV)

Philippians 3:17–20 (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 3:1–3 (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 2:4–10 (NKJV)

Hosea 10:12 (NKJV)

How do we seek the Lord?

- _____ good seed of righteous works = acts of kindness and generosity.
- _____ = make changes.
- Pray.
- _____ take in God's Word; read until you "hear" Him from the Word.
- Do what He says.

Looking back at this week's teaching, what's most important for you to remember, and why?

1. Recognizing and responding to God in our lives will always involve making decisions. Good decision making is built upon three important foundations: *Scripture, wise counsel, and the inner promptings of the Holy Spirit*. Below are some verses that shed additional light on each of these components. Read each one and jot down your insights.

Scripture:

Psalms 119:9-11, 59-61, 97-105
Proverbs 2

Wise Counsel:

Proverbs 15:22
2 Chronicles 10:1-19

The Inner Promptings of the Holy Spirit:

Acts 16:6-10
Acts 20:22-23
John 16:12-14

2. A wise person said, "If you want to know God's plan for tomorrow, follow His plan for today." Take some time and ask God about His plan for you. Ask Him about the little things and the big things. Ask Him to show you where you can be molded, transformed or sharpened. Then spend some time listening. Listen while you read the Scriptures. Listen to those God may be speaking through. Pay attention to those areas where you may be called to a greater obedience. Consider writing down what you hear this week.