

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

ALWAYS WITH US

- Once we believe in Jesus as our Savior and open our heart to Him, He is always with us (Mt. 28:20).
 - This means that Jesus is with us in every aspect of our lives all the time.
 - ♣ This is an amazing truth! Jesus never leaves our side in all of life. If He is this close to us continually, is it possible that He is wanting to communicate continually with us? YES!!

GOD SPEAKS

- God wants to communicate with us and relate to us (Jn. 10:1-5, 27).
 - God has a voice that we can learn to recognize and hear. The goal is to become a great follower.
 - Do you believe this?
 - Your life should be lived desiring and expecting to hear God's voice.
 - Hearing God's voice and obeying Him is probably the most important thing you can learn in this life.
- Why does God want to speak to us?
 - God is truth – Would you want to live your life based on what is absolute and timeless truth, or lies?
 - God is good – Since God is good, what he wants to communicate with us is good and good for us.
 - God is love – Only God can satisfy our deep hunger to be loved and teach us the joy of loving others.
 - “My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life” (Jn. 10:10).

FROM THE BEGINNING

- When God spoke, this world and all the universe came into being (Gen. 1)
- God spoke to the first human beings (Gen. 1:28-30; 2:15-17).
- God spoke to Cain about his sin of jealousy (Gen. 4:6-7).
- God spoke to Noah about the upcoming flood (Gen. 6:13-21).
- God spoke to Abraham and the nation of Israel was born (Gen. 12:1-3).
- God spoke to Moses to lead His people out of slavery (Ex. 3:7-10).

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- I believe there is nothing more important for 2012 than to focus on hearing God's voice.
 - "The sheep recognize His voice and come to Him."
 - "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow Me."
- ***Let's become great followers!***

HOMEWORK

Read Psalm 139:1-12. How often is God with us? In what circumstances is God with us? Every day this week, remind yourself throughout the course of each day (every 15-30 minutes) that God is with you. "Remember the Lord in everything you do, and He will show you the right way." (Pr. 3:6) Learning to hear God's voice begins with remembering Him in all of life.