

Patterns
Listening For God
September 13, 2015

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Misconceptions surrounding how God speaks:

1. God only speaks to the _____.
2. Listening for God's voice is about getting "_____".
3. Listening for God is the same as being _____.
4. Listening for God is a way to _____.

How do I practice listening for God's voice in my life?

1. I need to learn to listen for the Holy Spirit _____.
2. I need to learn to be _____.
 - It makes no sense to listen for God in my life if I am not _____ to _____.
 - Responding begins with _____.
3. I need to listen to the _____ of _____. (within reason)
 - Sometimes the answers we are looking for are found in the godly advice of people we _____ and _____.
4. I need to practice listening in the _____.
 - This is about practicing the _____ of _____ all throughout my day.

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