

Ears that Hear

LISTEN: DEVELOPING EARS TO HEAR

God wants to _____ and commune with us in a relationship of love and mutual enjoyment.

1 Corinthians 1:9 God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.

Scripture was written to urge us to come to God for

_____.

John 10:27 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.

John 14:16-18 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-- 17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

John 16:7 But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

John 16:13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

God provided for us, through the Holy Spirit, all truth but we have to develop a _____ ear.

The capacity to hear is there but the _____ must be developed.

KEY: HEARING GOD MUST BE _____ TO YOU.

Luke 10:38-42 As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. 39 She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. 40 But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" 41 "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, 42 but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

It isn't facts that cause us to worry, it's the _____ of the facts.

Jeremiah 29:11-13 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Too often we stop quoting there. Keep going! 12 Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, Look what God says! and I will listen to you. 13 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

Reticular Activating System (RAS)

Positive _____

Negative _____

Individual _____

The person who listens to God and _____ positively is someone who will hear more and more from God.

Matthew 13:12 Whoever has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken from him.

Matthew 13:23 But the one who received the seed that fell on good soil is the man who hears the word and understands it. He produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.

USING THE LAW OF RESPONSE

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