

**Sunday, November 10, 2019**  
**“You Should Have Listened to Me”**  
**Acts 27:9-22**

Without doing an intensive amount of research, the majority of us can recall incidents when we turned a deaf ear to advise or dismissed internal promptings that were sending us a message that we should have taken heed to. Our daily study this week is designed to enhance our ability to listen to the Holy Spirit as He uses various means to guide us into truth and right responses in our decision making and submission to the will of God.

**Lesson 1 Recognizing the voice of the Lord John 10:22-30**

- A. To know the voice of the Lord you must believe that He desires to talk to you
- B. To recognize the voice of the Jesus we must be willing to follow Him
- C. In your prayer today thank the Lord for the blessing of knowing that you belong to Him

**Lesson 2 Evaluate your willingness to be led by the Holy Spirit Romans 8:12-17**

- A. Allow the Holy Spirit to point out to you the things that you are doing that are of the flesh
- B. Claim your sense of belonging as a “son” of God through relationship with Jesus
- C. Recognize that your relationship with the Lord may make you subject to suffering

**Lesson 3 Claim your new identity and live your life according to it Ephesians 3:17-24**

- A. Renew your mind by reading scripture that will reinforce your convictions as a believer
- B. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you any “blind spots” in your heart that would hinder your walk with the Lord
- C. Seek to know true righteousness and holiness by allowing the word to reveal your deceitful lusts and behavior

**Lesson 4 Seek to be filled with the knowledge of His will for Your Life Colossians 1:3-18**

- A. Pray every day to be filled with the knowledge of the Lord's will
- B. Realize that each day you must ask the Lord to strengthen you in your walk of obedience and desire to do His will
- C. Affirm in your heart and spirit in prayer that all things come from Him and that you are a part of the body of Christ

**Lesson 5 Make it your desire to be a believer in Jesus that others can and will want to follow 1 Thessalonians 1:2-10**

- A. Remember to pray for your fellow believers to find their strength and joy in following the Lord
- B. Purpose to be an example by doing good works and acts of kindness for non-believers
- C. Look for opportunities to share your testimony or witness of the Lord's workings in your life

**Lesson 6 Ask the Holy Spirit to strengthen your walk in grace to encourage other believers in their faith walk 2 Timothy 2:14-26**

- A. Be aware of conversations about the Lord that may lead you into debate and arguments
- B. Choose to be a blessed peacemaker without becoming a compromiser of truths about Jesus
- C. Above all things choose to operate and share with a spirit of humility

People that are the most effective sharing the gospel have learned to do it without using words. Their conduct, demeanor, love, joy, compassion and generosity will open the hearts of people who need to hear the Truth. The Truth is not a postulate but rather the person of Jesus carried in human flesh by those who have learned to love others like they have been loved.

Have a blessed week