



I. **Kingdom Authority**

A. **Matthew 16:16-19**

1. Faith...from Revelation...To Relationship...To Identity
2. **Matthew 28:18-19** “All power in HEAVEN and EARTH”
  - This gives us the authority to walk in a new identity, a heavenly identity...
  - **II Corinthians 6:16**

B. **Luke 10:17-20**

1. Power on this earth
2. Demons will tremble, the sick will be healed, and the dead raised back to life...why? Your name is written...you are known by Him! (And when you are known by Him, you are walking in the power of **John 10:27**).
3. You will only receive from God as much as you seek from God! (Hearing the Voice of God is the key to Heaven’s Continuum, Heaven’s Power....Faith, Revelation, Relationship....Identity).
4. The Goal is to be just like Jesus....**John 12:49 & John 14:10**

II. **Hearing the Voice of God (How does God speak to us?)**

A. **Dreams and Visions**

1. Several notable dreams in the Bible: Joseph and Pharaoh, Nebuchadnezzar and Daniel, Joseph and the angel in several dreams (taking Mary to be his wife and taking his family to Egypt), Pilate’s wife (**Matt 27:19**).
2. Several notable dreams in history: Abraham Lincoln dreamed of his own death, the sewing machine (Elias Howe in 1845 dreamed of men taking him prisoner with spears, but the spears had holes at the spear’s points; the next day, he applied the hole in the needle to complete the missing link of the sewing machine), Dr. James Watson and the DNA strand (he had a dream of 2 snakes intertwined with heads at the opposite ends, leading to a consideration of a double helix), Beethoven would hear music in his dreams and would write them down afterwards; some historians say his dreams featured instruments not yet invented.
3. A Dream from God stays with you (It can be specific or have types and shadows/colors or objects that will cause you to pause and listen).
4. Visions – Daniel, Peter (**Acts 11:5**) / Visions are different from Dreams in that they come when you are awake (usually in meditation or prayer), while dreams always come during sleep.
5. **Acts 2:17** – God uses dreams and visions to guide us and to warn us of danger.

B. **Through People**

1. Laborers of the Kingdom (**Luke 10:1-2** / one plants, another waters...).
  2. **Acts 21:4** – People filled with the Holy Spirit Holy Spirit discussion later).
  3. Be careful though – more people speak by emotions, experiences, and feelings rather than God’s voice. God’s voice is more than a feeling...it’s knowing!
- C. **Through Your Inner Peace**
1. **Matthew 10:13** / **Luke 10:5-6** (Being led by your peace).
  2. Some people use this to their excuse and miss out of God’s blessing: “*I just lost my peace about it...*” - Remember, His peace is there to guide you; if you lose your peace, pray and ask, “**What do you want me to know?**”, and “**What do you want me to do?**” (Driving across town last week....I prayed and continued as the Lord instructed and all was well!)
- D. **Through the Written Word of God**
1. How can you hear it unless you read it?
  2. The Bible is God-Breathed (all scripture is given by inspiration of God); It is the Written Voice of God.
  3. This is why these 3 words are so important: “**It is written...**” (It has been spoken by God...)
  4. The Bible has the answer for every question.....Seek and you shall find.
- E. **The Gentle Voice from Within**
1. God is a Spirit, so He speaks to your Spirit... (how do we worship God? In spirit and in truth...this is what God is looking for).
  2. Your makeup is 3 parts: Spirit, Soul, and Body
  3. When God speaks to you, His voice is heard on the inside, then your soul (mind, will, and emotions) are moved by what you hear in your heart (spirit), and lastly, your body experiences the energy from it (the tangible presence of God).
- F. **The Holy Spirit**
1. What does the Holy Spirit do; what is His purpose? **Genesis 1:2** (*He is God, the 3<sup>rd</sup> person of the trinity, representing the Father and the Son who are in heaven...here on this earth*).
  2. **Acts 1:8** – Power/God’s Moving Power only comes from the Holy Spirit.
  3. **John 16:13** – The Holy Spirit guides you (from within) and shows you things (how does He do this? He speaks to you and when He speaks to you, his voice moves your whole being!).
  4. If it wasn’t important, then why did the Bible make a distinct purpose in pointing it out? (**Luke 4:1, Acts 6:3, Acts 11:24**).
  5. **John 2:20** – Unction (Anointing, Endowment from God).