"The Key is Listening" Revelation 2-3

Have you learned to listen to the Voice of the Spirit of GOD?

1. Jeremiah 29:11 says, "I know the ______ that I have for you, says the LORD, Plans to ______ you, and not to harm you; plans to give you hope and a ______." (Do you know HIS ______ for your life?)

2. Isiah 58:8-9 states, "For my ______ are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ______, declares the LORD. For as the heavens are ______ than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." (Do you know HIS _____ - HIS ways?)

3. JESUS said in John 10:27, "MY sheep hear _____, and I know them, and they _____ ME." (Are _____ HIS sheep? Are you hearing?)

4. The LORD JESUS said to each of the to the 7 churches of Asia Minor, the same statement: "He who has _____, let him hear what the to the churches." 2:7, 2:11, 2:17, 2:29, 3:6, 3:13, 3:22

5. Does it make sense for a Follower of CHRIST to make the top priority of their life ... to _____ to and _____ the Voice of GOD?

A. What ______ to you ... is more important that what anyone else will ever say to you.

B. What about anything ... is far more important than what anyone else thinks.

C. The whole Bible is based on what GOD and what HE has to HIS People. Are you in it?

Examples of People in Scripture (just like you) that listened to the Voice of GOD: * When GOD speaks, it is ______. A. Philip in Acts 8:26, 29 – "leave the ______ in Samaria now, and head south. I have prepared ______ important for you to meet." B. In 1 Sam. 3:9-10 (GOD speaks to ______, too) "The Lord _____, and _____, and _____, and _____... Samuel, Samuel" The boy replied, "Speak, for Your _____ _____• C. In Matthew 2:13 Joseph in a dream was told – "Get up and take the

Child and HIS mother, and to Egypt, and

there until I _____ you, for Herod is going to search for the Child to destroy HIM." (______ is always critical)

- D. In Jonah 1:2 the prophet was told "Go to Nineveh, the great city, and cry against it for their _____ has come up before ME." (the _____ you wait to obey, the more _____ it will be, for you and untold numbers of other people)
- E. To Peter in Acts 10:19-20 "______ are looking for you. Go downstairs and ______ them with no ______, for I have sent them Myself" (GOD can ______ everything in one day; but only if you are ______.)

Application:

- 1. Your Pastor has _______ to listen and obey GOD for 48 years.
- 2. GOD is a Spirit, therefore HE speaks primarily to our ______.

John 4:24

- 3. If you are ______, HE is not going to speak to you, except for you to repent of your rebellion. The more ______ and yielded you are, the more HE will speak to you.
- 4. ______ and constant ______ are huge distractions to hearing HIS still small voice. 1 Kings 19:11-13 Quietness and ______ magnify HIS Voice. To hear HIS Voice you have to make ______ for HIM.
- 5. _____ reading the Bible, _____ your mind, and _____ your spirit to HIS Voice. Heb. 4:12
- 6. Talk to HIM about ______ that concerns you. Ask HIM ______. Ask HIM to tell you what HE wants you to do. But don't give HIM a ______ to answer you.
- 7. Write down thoughts, _____, impressions, _____, and ideas. They may be from HIM.
- 8. Learn to ______ everything to see it is from GOD. 1 John 4:1 Learn to be ______. Luke 7:35 Wise ______ are crucial in following the Holy Spirit's leading. Prov. 24:6
- 9. Always follow ______ in your spirit. Col. 3:15 (Don't violate this)
- 10. Learn to trust the ______ of the Holy Spirit. HE will never ______ you or ever ______ you. John 14:26, 16:13

Are you yielded? Do you want to listen to GOD's Spirit?

Will you obey?