

“GOD SPOKE TO ME TODAY!”

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This statement is often heard from our religious neighbors and friends. What is meant by it can vary from one person to the next. It could be that someone woke up with a thought in their mind and assumed God put it there. Someone else may read something in a magazine and give God the credit for helping them see a divine message that day. And again, someone may believe that the momentary thoughts passing through their mind is the “voice” of God speaking to them. Unfortunately, these claims are subjective and speculative. How does God speak to us today?

The Scriptures affirm that God speaks to you and me today, but it is not by a small voice in our head or on a billboard beside the road. The word of God is not a private message to a few, but an open book to all men. When someone asks me how God speaks to me today, I answer that God “has in these last days spoken to us by His Son” (Hebrews 1:2). Jesus said that the Holy Spirit would guide His apostles into “all truth” (John 16:13). This was accomplished when the apostles completed their work and the faith had been “once for all delivered to the saints” (Jude 3). *Everything* God has said to you He has also said to me, and to everyone!

Nothing more will be given to a man to make him complete than what is contained in the inspired Scriptures (2 Timothy 3:16-17). If you say that God speaks to you in addition to the Scriptures, then you deny Paul’s statement that the Scriptures make the man of God “complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.” What more can God tell you after delivering the perfect and complete word? I fear that some are not satisfied with the truth “once for all delivered” and have invented a God that speaks secretly what they want to hear. This is a convenient way to justify human doctrines, but it diverts us away from the objective truth that God has revealed. We need to get back to the Bible and hear the true voice of God. That will satisfy the true seeker of God because faith comes by hearing the word of God (Romans 10:17).

JOHN 1:1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

JOHN 1:14-18

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, “This was He of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.’” And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.