

THE VOICE OF GOD

Introduction

- 1) **Psalm 29** – describes the majesty and power of God’s **voice**
 - a) Imagine what it was like to hear the “voice” of God! There were those who did - Exodus 19:17-19; 20:18-19; Num. 7:89; Jn. 12:28-29; 2 Pet. 1:17-18
- 2) A voice is a means of:
 - a) Communication (Ex. 18:19; Matt. 3:3)
 - b) Identification (Gen. 27:22; Song 2:8, 14)
- 3) The Scriptures speak of our need to hear the voice of the Lord today
 - a) How does God speak to us today? How do we identify His voice? Are we listening?

I) The Voice of God

- A) The voice of God is the word of God (1 Sam. 15:1)
- B) To hear the voice of God is to hear *and* obey what God commands (Ex. 15:26; Deut. 15:5)
- C) To disobey the voice of God is to disobey the revealed word of God
 - 1) Child who did not obey parents’ “voice” did not obey what they said (Deut. 21:18)
 - 2) Deut. 28:15; 1 Sam. 15:19-24; Jer. 7:23-26
 - 3) Those in sin will often hide from the “voice” of God (cf. Gen. 3:8-10) → unsuccessful!
- D) God voice is the revelation of His will – we must listen (Jn. 8:47; Matt. 13:9)

II) God Has Spoken!

- A) God spoke in times past by the “prophets” (Heb. 1:1)
 - 1) Prophets were the “voice” of God (Dan. 9:10; Acts 13:27)
- B) Jesus is the Prophet of God today (Acts 3:20-23; Heb. 1:1-2)

III) The Voice of God Today: *Jesus Christ*

- A) Jesus’ voice is the voice of God’s will and authority for man today
 - 1) Jn. 3:34; Matt. 17:5; Jn. 12:48-50
- B) Jesus’ voice is known by His disciples
 - 1) Jn. 10:1-5, 14, 25-27 (shepherd and sheep)
 - 2) We will know Jesus’ voice if we are “of the truth” (Jn. 18:37; 8:31-32)
 - 3) Whatever Jesus says is “the truth” (Jn. 14:6)
- C) We must beware of other voices (strangers)
 - 1) Voices of strangers (Jn. 10:5; Acts 20:29-30; 2 Tim. 4:3-4)
 - 2) We need to be able to tell the difference (1 Jn. 4:1, 5-6)
- D) The voice of Jesus saves us now *and* will call us from the grave at the last day
 - 1) Jn. 5:24-29 (see also Jn. 11:43; 1 Thess. 4:16)

Conclusion

Let us not refuse Him who speaks to us today (Heb. 12:25-29). Obedience means being submissive to what is heard. Hear the **voice of Jesus** and obey His commandments to be saved from sin and to have fellowship with the Lord (Rev. 3:20)!