

God Speaks through People.

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***“God Speaks **TO** people
and **THROUGH** people.”***

God Speaks through YOU.

- **God Spoke through the PROPHETS.**

2 Peter 1

²⁰ Above all, you must realize that no prophecy in Scripture ever came from the prophet's own understanding, ²¹ or from human initiative. No, these prophets were moved by the Holy Spirit, and they spoke from God.

Joel 2

²⁸ In the last days, I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophecy. Your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions. ²⁹ In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on servants - men and women alike. ³⁰ And I will cause wonders in the heavens and on earth . . . before the great and terrible day of the Lord arrives (Day of Judgement). ³² But everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

- **God Speaks through the CHURCH.**

Acts 1

⁴ Jesus said, “Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised, as I told you before. ⁵ John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit. ⁸ You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses telling people about me everywhere.”

Acts 2

¹ On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting in one place. ² Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. ³ Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them.

⁴ And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them ability. (Peter shouted to the crowds) ¹⁶ “What you see was predicted long ago by the prophet Joel.”

- **God Speaks through YOU.**

Romans 10

¹³ Paul said, *“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”* (Joel 2:32) ¹⁴ But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?

How to SPEAK God’s Word to Others:

1. TELL others about Jesus.

Matthew 28

¹⁸ Jesus said to his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

2. TEACH others what God is teaching you.

Colossians 3

¹⁶ Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives. Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom he gives. ¹⁷ And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus.

3. WARN others about Sin.

Hebrews 3

¹³ You must warn each other every day, while it is still “today,” so that none of you will be deceived by sin and hardened to God. ¹⁵ Remember what the Scriptures say, *“Today when you hear his voice, don’t harden your hearts.”*

4. HELP others find their way back to God.

Galatians 6

¹ Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by a sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path.

5. ENCOURAGE others to keep growing.

Ephesians 4

¹⁵ Speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ. ²⁹ Don’t use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.

How to KNOW if God is Speaking to You:

1. God’s Word agrees with God’s WORD.

Matthew 24

³⁵ Jesus said, “Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.”

James 1

²² Don’t just hear God’s word. You must do what it says. Otherwise you’re only fooling yourselves.

John 16

¹³⁻¹⁵ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. The Spirit will tell you whatever he receives from me.

2. God's Word agrees with God's SPIRIT.

Galatians 5

²²⁻²³ The Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

3. God's Word confirms God's ACTIVITY.

John 5

¹⁷ Jesus said, "My Father is always working, and so am I."

4. God's Word brings God's PEACE.

Philippians 4

⁶ Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. ⁷ Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

5. God's Word requires God's POWER.

John 15

⁵ Jesus said, "I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing."

Table Group Discussion:

Q: What has God been saying to YOU?

Q: WHO are you sharing that with?