

HOW TO HEAR GOD SPEAK

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I. PAY ATTENTION to the call of creation.

1 *The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.*

2 *Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.*

3 *They have no speech, they use no words;
no sound is heard from them.*

4 *Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.*

*In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.
5 It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.*

6 *It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other;
nothing is deprived of its warmth.*

- **CONTINUAL**
- **UNIVERSAL**
- **RELATIONAL**

For personal reflection:

How does creation / nature speak and inspire you personally?

II. PURSUE the promises of scripture.

7 *The law of the Lord is perfect,
refreshing the soul.*

*The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy,
making wise the simple.*

8 *The precepts of the Lord are right,
giving joy to the heart.*

*The commands of the Lord are radiant,
giving light to the eyes.*

- **REST**
- **GROWTH**
- **JOY**
- **VISION**

II. PRESS into God's presence.

9 *The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever.*

The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.

10 *They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold;
they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.*

11 *By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.*

12 *But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults.*

13 *Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me.
Then I will be blameless, innocent of great transgression.*

14 *May*

*these words of my mouth and
this meditation of my heart*

*be pleasing in your sight, Lord,
my Rock and my Redeemer.*

- **WORSHIP God**
- **PLEASE God**