LOF 2 - HEARING HEARING HEARING (THE DIVINE ORDER OF FAITH)

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1. THERE IS NO RECEIVING WITHOUT HEARING.

- REPEAT: THERE IS NO RECEIVING OF THE THINGS OF GOD WITHOUT FIRST **HEARING**
- Proverbs 4:10 Hear, my son, and receive my sayings, and the years of your life will be many.
- RECEIVING FROM GOD ALWAYS PRECEEDED BY HEARING FROM GOD.
- At the end of YOUR 'HEARING', THERE IS ALWAYS **HARVEST!**
 - WE OFTEN DON'T GET HARVEST BECAUSE WE DONT HEAR THE WORD!!!!
- OUR EARS ARE LIKE RADIO RECEIVER.
- A LOT OF US ARE SO **INTUNED** WITH THE VOICE OF THE WORLD
- AND WE NEVER **PRACTICE/TUNE** OUR SPIRITUAL EARS ARE NOT HEARING THE WORD!
- LOF STUDENTS!!!
- WE NEED TO AWAKEN AND SHARPEN THE SPIRIT IN THE INSIDE OF YOU.
- WE NEED TO BE MORE ALERT AND RECEPTIVE TO THE WORD OF GOD.
- HE IS ALWAYS SPEAKING,
 - WHEN YOU ARE DRIVING HE IS SPEAKING.
 - WHEN YOU ARE ON THE BUS TO UNIVERSITY HE IS SPEAKING.
 - WHEN YOU ARE ON YOUR TRAIN TO CHURCH, HE IS SPEAKING.
 - HOLY SPIRIT WILL REMIND YOU CONSTANTLY ABOUT HIS PROMISES.
 - BUT OFTEN WE ARE NOT LISTENING.

• YOU ARE NOT A BODY WITH SOUL AND SPIRIT.

- I THESSALONIANS 5:23B 'MAY YOUR WHOLE SPIRIT, SOUL AND BODY BE KEPT BLAMELESS AT THE COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST"
- WE ARE CREATED AS **SPIRIT FIRST AND FOREMOST** WITH A SOUL AND BODY
 - BUT THE ENEMY IS TRYING TO DIVIATE THAT (WE BECOME BODY FIRST SPIRIT LATER)
 - WE BECOME DULL AND NOT IN TUNE WITH THE THINGS OF GOD.
 - WE ARE NOT ALERT ON THE THINGS OF GOD.
 - FOR SOME WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF YOU ARE JUST AS REMOTELY EXCITED TO TRAIN YOUR FAITH AS YOU ARE WHEN YOU TRAIN YOUR CHEST AND BISCEPTS.
 - FOR SOME WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF YOU ARE JUST AS REMOTELY EXCITED

TO POST ABOUT YOUR MAKER AS YOU ARE WHEN YOU POST ABOUT YOUR MAKEUP.

- FOR SOME WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF YOU ARE JUST AS REMOTELY
 FOCUSED AND DETERMINED IN FOLLOWING AND OBEYING
 GOD AS YOU ARE FOCUSED IN YOUR JOB.
- IMAGINE....JUST IMAGINE....WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IN YOUR LIFE IF YOU JUST DO THAT!!!! REVIVAL, BREAKTHROUGH, OPEN DOORS, GREATNESS WILL HAPPEN!

• THERE IS NO RECEIVING WITHOUT HEARING.

- WE'VE GOT TO ACTIVATE OUR EARS OF FAITH.
- WE'VE GOT TO ACTIVATE OUR SPIRITUAL EARS.
- THE GOAL IS TO GET THE LIVING WORD IN THE INSIDE OF YOU.
- THE WORD WILL PRODUCE FAITH.
- AND WHEN IT PRODUCE FAITH, YOUR BREAKTHROUGH IS AT THE END OF YOUR HEARING THE WORD.
- YOUR OPEN DOORS ARE AT THE END OF HEARING THE WORD.

2. THE ACT OF HEARING.

- James 1:22 **Be doers of the word**, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.
- THERE IS AN ACT OF HEARING.
- Bible hearing requires 3 things:
 - Bible hearing requires ATTENTIVENESS
 - Bible hearing requires BELIEF
 - Bible hearing requires **OBEDIENCE**
- Isaiah 1:19 If you are willing and obedient shall eat the good of the land.
- WITHOUT YOUR OBEDIENCE, YOU WILL NOT EAT THE GOODS OF THE LAND.

3. Blessing Is Always the Result of True Hearing

- Proverbs 8:34 Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.
- Blessed means EMPOWERED TO PROSPER biblical prosperity is the power to control your circumstances instead of them controlling you.
- Romans 10:14-17 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!" 16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" 17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."
- I'VE LEARNT IN MY JOURNEY AS A PASTOR "Whatever is preached in your pulpit, is what the people have faith for"
- If healing is preached, healing comes; if prosperity is preached, prosperity comes; if restoration is preached, restoration comes; if world evangelism is preached, then the church saves souls and makes disciples of the nations.
- <u>Whatever is preached, faith will come from it, and God will respond.</u>
- That is why we must stay in the middle of the road and preach the whole Gospel!
- <u>GOD IS GIVING ME A REVELATION OF SAVING SOULS AND MAKING DISCIPLES RIGHT</u> <u>NOW.</u>
- BUT GOD IS STARTING TO TALK TO ME ABOUT FAITH.
 - I BELIEVE NEXT SEASON, OUR CHURCH IS GOING TO BE A CHURCH WHO ARE SOULS SAVERS AND DISCIPLE MAKERS AND A CHURCH OF FAITH.
 - A CHURCH WHO KNOW WHAT THEIR AUTHORITIES IN GOD.
 - A CHURCH WHO KNOWS THEIR PORTION IN GOD, WHO DON'T STOP FOR "SOME" OF THE PROMISES OF GOD, BUT A CHURCH WHO WILL STEP OUT AND GRAB HOLD OF "ALL" THAT THE THINGS THAT GOD HAS PROMISES TO US.
 - SOMEBODY SHOUT 'ALLLL!!!!'
- Faith comes from hearing, hearing and hearing...
- That's why We must guard our hearts against unbelief and doubt!!!!

5. The Voice of Fear is Also a Powerful PRODUCER.

- Proverbs 4:23 Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life.
- Mark 4:24 then He said to them, "Take heed what you hear. With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you; and to you who hear, more will be given.
- One fear-based report kept millions from their destiny.
- Numbers 13:30-32 Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, "Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it." 31 But the men who had gone up with him said, "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we." 32 And they gave the children of Israel a bad report of the land which they had spied out, saying, "The land through which we have gone as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people whom we saw in it are men of great stature.
- God calls unbelief = evil and sin.
- Why? Because it allows the enemy to kill, steal, and destroy God's children.
- Fear-based reports allows the enemy to work destruction
- Hebrews 3:11-13 So I swore in My wrath, 'They sha11 not enter My rest."' 12 Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; 13 but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.
- Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.