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- realizing the power of a life in Christ-

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Wherever you are you can watch ***DARE TO BELIEVE!*** on www.youtube.com. Segments from programs about the return of Jesus are now on, and more programs will be added. Another way to reach more and more people with the truth of Jesus.

HOW DO YOU HEAR FROM GOD? HOW ARE PEOPLE CALLED BY GOD? HOW DO THEY LEARN THE PLANS GOD HAS FOR THEM?

Big, big questions! Important questions! Vital to life. Especially in the times we are all living, with Jesus' return being imminent, expected truly at any moment.

What are the answers? Recently we began taping a series of television programs on this subject. We've also recorded two new key CD's shown on page 3 of the newsletter, *Changing Directions – Called by God* and *The Holy Spirit*.

How do people "hear" God? There are many answers. Here are just a few practical examples:

- The still small voice – You are sitting reading the Bible, maybe praying, maybe meditating, just being quiet in the presence of the Lord. Suddenly deep inside you hear a still, small voice speaking in a way you never speak. The words are not put together as you would. You know it is God, giving you advice, guiding, comforting, encouraging, loving. This is one way of hearing from God cited often. One point – you don't have to be sitting quietly. You might just be walking down the street when suddenly you hear God speaking to you.
- The audible voice – Yes, sometimes people have actually heard an audible voice. It happens.
- Events/Circumstances – God doesn't always use words. Perhaps you have sought a better work position for yourself. You see the job you would like. You've worked towards that. You've prayed about it. But it never seems to come to you. Then one day suddenly, surprisingly, the doors to that job open up. No more problems. The way is clear for you. And when you can quietly think about it, you realize that this sudden opportunity didn't just happen. Someone opened those doors. And you know deep inside it is God. It is clear this is the path you are to follow. You have a peace and joy about it. The reverse can also happen. Though you pursue what you think you should as an opportunity, suddenly the doors just shut and

you realize that opportunity is not going to happen. That can be God too, protecting you from a step He does not want you to take.

- Other People – Perhaps a mentor, a friend, an older wise person, even just an acquaintance, will someday speak some words to you that have amazing significance. You realize that even though that person may not know, God is clearly speaking to you through the person. That happened to me. I was in an organization, and I heard God say it was time for me to leave. Shortly thereafter I heard that again. Then a woman sent me an email. Somewhere in that email, suddenly I read a few sentences that surely were a message making the same point, even though she did not know that.
- Bible verses – You are reading the Bible and suddenly a verse almost leaps off the page to you. It suddenly has greater meaning than ever, and it applies to something happening in your life right then. You realize it is God pointing out a truth you need to know.

There are more examples. God does indeed speak. How do you hear? By and through the Holy Spirit. I do not think you can really hear from God on an ongoing basis, or even truly understand and receive from the Bible, without the Holy Spirit. YOU NEED THE HOLY SPIRIT.

In **Revelation 3:20**, Jesus says “I stand at the door and knock.” Of course, he’s not knocking at a real door. He’s knocking at your heart, trying to get your attention. He’s interested in the real you, the you deep inside, not the you that people see at work or on the street. And he goes on to say that if anyone hears my voice and opens the door, he will go in and eat with you and you with him. If you answer him and let him in, you and he will have the close relationship you are supposed to have. Did you notice that he says, if anyone hears my voice. You want to know his voice, to hear his voice. He says elsewhere that his sheep, the believers, hear his voice.

In **Jeremiah 29:11**, God says that he knows the plans he has for you. He goes on to describe them as plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. No one is a mistake. God has plans for each of you. But you have to find them, hear them.

In **Proverbs 19:21**, the point is made that a person has many plans in life. We all know that. Everyone has plans – for education, for a job, for having a family or not, for where to live. But that verse then says that it is the purpose of God that counts. So you need to learn what God’s purpose, his plans, are for you. You want your plans to line up with his.

One last verse is a big help in all this. **Jeremiah 33:3** makes the point that if you call out to him, he will answer you and will show you great and mighty things you do not know. The original word translated mighty here, or unsearchable, in the original Hebrew actually means hidden. God will show you things that are hidden, things you cannot know without him. I use this verse a lot, all the time when I am focusing on scripture or an issue in life. How about when I called out to Jesus for help in the car on the New Jersey Turnpike and God immediately answered (see the *Changing Directions* CD)?

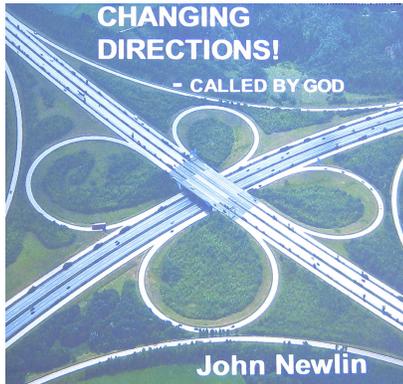
These four scriptures are extremely important. God tells us he’s trying to get our attention, he refers to our hearing his voice, he says he has plans for us and that his plans are more important than ours, and he tells us he will answer our calls for help. They have to be sincere, or course, and like anything else with God, you have to be in a right relationship with him. All these promises and statements do not hold for unbelievers or for those not in a right relationship with God. They work for people who know Jesus, who have faith, who are living in a forgiven and forgiving approach to life, and who keep their eyes on Jesus – unswervingly.

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Get the following new CD's. And watch the series of our programs about this key subject. There is so much more than a newsletter can share. The Holy Spirit is for every believer (Acts 2:38-39). You need to know him and his power. He is, after all, God. Remember the Trinity? God the Father, God the Son - Jesus, and God the Holy Spirit. Jesus said in John 14 that when he went to Heaven, he would ask God and God would send the Holy Spirit. He has. He is operating on earth. He brings us all truth, convicts us, guides us in things to come, and so much more.

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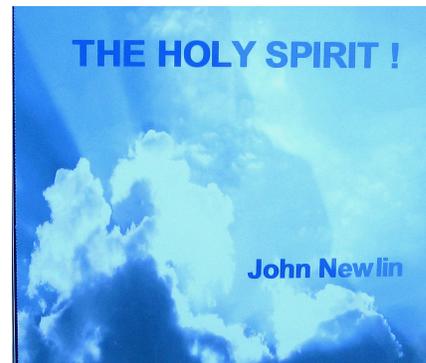


CHANGING DIRECTIONS – CALLED BY GOD

How are people called by God? Sometimes dramatically, sometimes quietly. For me, it was dramatically. Many years ago God intervened in two events. The first involved a miraculous encounter with an angel when my family and I were saved from certain death. A few years later on the New Jersey Turnpike, God came into my car in a stunning Damascus road meeting in response to my cry for help. The Holy Spirit had come in force. Several years later a woman at a meeting at Oral Roberts University prophesied that miracles would follow me wherever I went, and that I wouldn't even know that unless I looked back. That's the way it has been. In this CD John recounts these two major events and many from the years since, drawing implications as to how God calls and gives assignments and directions.

THE HOLY SPIRIT!

You need the Holy Spirit! Following Jesus' triumphal resurrection and ascension to Heaven, God the Father sent the Holy Spirit to believers. The Holy Spirit is for you! He is for all believers. He tells us of what he hears from the Father and from Jesus. He gives us the great ability to know the real truth in all things. He teaches us all things. He tells us of things to come. He brings glory to Jesus. He is your comforter, your counselor, your advisor, your guide. Again, you need the Holy Spirit. It is through the guidance of the Holy Spirit that you learn the will of God and stay in it. He is the believer's constant companion. Jesus did not want the disciples going out from Jerusalem after his ascension into Heaven until they had been baptized with the power of the Holy Spirit. With that power they could be victorious. Healing, prophecy, wisdom, knowledge, miracles, so much more – gifts of the Holy Spirit. Do you know the Holy Spirit?



HELP US KEEP GOING TO REACH MORE PEOPLE AND AREAS!!!!

One partner called in recently to say that it is astounding how much we have done with the funds we have. It is amazing! And we are grateful to God for that! But so much more can be done. This newsletter, the many CD recordings, the production and broadcast of the television programs, and all the other ministry materials and activities cost a great deal of money. If you are receiving from this ministry, receiving things you never knew, please consider contributing to the ministry. Galatians 6:6 makes the point that anyone receiving teaching in the word should share all good things with the teacher. Another way of saying it is to give where you are fed. We do want and ask for the funds not only to keep going but also to tell and demonstrate the amazing truths of the full gospel of the Kingdom to more and more. Help others hear these truths. In so many areas they just are not preached or acted upon. Help us reach those areas and people.

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So many do not know the things you hear me saying all the time – that God is real, Jesus is real, the Holy Spirit is real, the Bible is true, angels are real, demons are real, the devil is real, miracles and healings are all happening today, and so much more. God didn't intend for us to live in ignorance nor to suffer the attacks and burdens of the evil one with no power to fight back. He has equipped us, but so few know. So many don't even know that Jesus is coming soon. But you do. Consider becoming a regular monthly partner, for any amount. The Bible is full of blessings that come from sowing (giving) into good soil. We thank you for your support of God's ministry through this miracle ministry. It is astounding what God has done.

John

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