Title: Where Are Your Ears?

Text: Hebrews 12:25-28

Heb 12:25 ***See that ye refuse not him that speaketh****. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven: 26 Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven. 27 And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. 28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:*

We loan our ears to everything. What are you listening to? It is amazing how people can sit for hours and listen to stuff that does not ehlp them a bit. But the opposite, it robs them.

## ***See that ye refuse not him that speaketh.***

I direction comes from God. No where else but from God. As a believer, our direction comes from God. We should be well aware of the fact that this book gives us direction and as believers, our direction comes from God.

That is a solemn warning. Our ears should be in-tune to Him. Hearing him, His voice, his word.

It is the will of God that we so live that we bring joy to God. This genearion has the idea that everything is for me. AS believers we should be bringing joy to God. I wonder if we are bringing joy to Him.

Nehemiah 8:10 “the joy of the lord is yhour strength.

You get joy when you bring joy to Him. **The life that is acceptable to God comes from HEARING his Word**. He wants us to hear His Word. And obey what He says.

There are multitudes that do not want to hear the Gospel in our time.

If we seek Him He will speak to us. We need to seek the Lord.

Isaiah 55:6 Isa 55:6 ¶ Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:

Jer 29:13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

We have a responsibility to direct our life based on God’s Word.

There is no choice in the matter. We are the clay and He is the potter. The clay has to be soft, tender, submitted. There is no room for stubbornness.

Hebrews 5:8—*Though he were a Son, yet* ***learned he obedience*** *by the things which he suffered;*

Ro 16:19 For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.

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## **There are many ways to refuse him that speaketh.**

1. **Not Willing To Hear – Refuse to Hear and Listen**

Matthew 13:13-15—*Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand 14 And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:15 For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are* ***dull of hearing****, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.*

The ears are dull of hearing and their eyes the have closed.

(Just because people pass by and mock and make fun. There will come a day when God himself will bring them to judgment and they will hear then.)

Zechariah 7:11—*But they refused to hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears, that they should not hear.*

2 Timothy 4:4*—And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.*

1. **Not Willing To Believe Him**

Heb 3:12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

We must walk by faith.

Heb 4:11 ¶ Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

### **Listening to Devilish Doctrines**

Devilish doctrines come from false prophets.

Devilish doctrines encourage goals of self-weill.

1Ki 22:8 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, There is yet one man, Micaiah the son of Imlah, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy good concerning me, but evil. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so. 9 Then the king of Israel called an officer, and said, Hasten hither Micaiah the son of Imlah. 10 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah sat each on his throne, having put on their robes, in a void place in the entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets prophesied before them. 11 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah made him horns of iron: and he said, Thus saith the LORD, With these shalt thou push the Syrians, until thou have consumed them. 12 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramothgilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver it into the king's hand. 13 And the messenger that was gone to call Micaiah spake unto him, saying, Behold now, the words of the prophets declare good unto the king with one mouth: let thy word, I pray thee, be like the word of one of them, and speak that which is good. 14 And Micaiah said, As the LORD liveth, what the LORD saith unto me, that will I speak. 15 ¶ So he came to the king. And the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go against Ramothgilead to battle, or shall we forbear? And he answered him, Go, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver it into the hand of the king. 16 And the king said unto him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou tell me nothing but that which is true in the name of the LORD? 17 And he said, I saw all Israel scattered upon the hills, as sheep that have not a shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no master: let them return every man to his house in peace.

Colossians 3:2 Col 3:2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

5 ¶ Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

LONGING FOR WHAT IS FORBIDDEN—covetousness, idolatry

Col 3:6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

8 ¶ But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

IT IS NOT ALRIGHT TO BE ANGRY.

DON’T LET IT COME OUT OF YOUR MOUTH.

9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

Truth is what delivers us from that which is false.

John 8:32—And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

1Jo 5:12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

Jesus is God’s absolute delight. God is pleased with His Son.

Matthew 3:17—*And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.*

Mt 17:5 While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.