God is Speaking, Are We Listening?

Exodus 33:7-11

THE GREATEST IMPACT ON OUR LIVES IS OUR WILLINGNESS AND OUR ABILITY TO HEAR THE VOICE OF GOD!!!!

Steps to hearing the voice of God:

1) There Must Be A Desire:

2) We Must Be Willing To Put Forth Effort: verse 7

3) We Must Be Willing To Withdraw Outside The Camp: v.7

Example: Matthew 6:6; "But when you pray go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private. Then you Father, who sees everything, will reward you."

Luke 22:39; "Then, accompanied by the disciples, Jesus left the upstairs room and went as usual to the Mount of Olives."

4) Be Willing To Inquire of The Lord:

Inquire: to seek by asking

Matthew 7:7-8; "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened."

Seek what? Matthew 6:33; "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need."

When we are willing to inquire of the Lord and seek Him above all else:

Proverbs 8:17; "I love all who love me. Those who search will surely find Me. I have riches and honor, as well as enduring wealth and justice. My gifts are better than gold, even the purest gold, my wages better than sterling silver! I walk in righteousness, in paths of justice. Those who love me inherit wealth. I will fill their treasuries."

5) Share In The Prayer: v.8

6) We Must Be Willing To Wait on God: v.9-10

Lamentations 3:25-26; "The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him. It is good that one would hope and wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord."

Isaiah 40:31; "But those who wait on the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint."

7) Stay Tuned To His Voice:

John 10:3-10; "To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice; and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. And when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. Yet they will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."...

Continued.. "Jesus used this illustration, but they did not understand the things which He spoke to them. Then Jesus said to them again. "Most assuredly, I say to you, I am the door to the sheep. All who ever came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."