

## Divine Guidance – 1 “God’s Voice”

Romans 8:12-16 (KJV)

1. Verse 14 .... are led / .... are the sons of God
2. Verse 16 ... Holy Spirit bears witness to our spirit
  - \* Primary way God leads us is by His Spirit in our spirit.
  - \* Primary way God speaks to us is in our spirit.
3. God is leading; we’re just not always heeding.  
God is speaking; we’re just not hearing or responding.  
Psalm 37:23 (KJV)
4. “IF THAT’S TRUE ..... HOW DID I END UP..... ?
  - a. It’s not automatic
  - b. You have to mix faith with this promise (Hebrews 4:2)
  - c. It requires repentance = change mind and direction  
Example – GPS (directions)

John 10:1-5 (KJV)

vs. 15-16 (KJV)

1. Relationship (This is what God has always wanted)
  - \* Healthy relationships are built on communication.
  - \* The level or depth of relationship hinges on communication.
2. New “Birth right”  
Our divine design is to hear God  
Divine guidance is our inheritance

Revelation 3:19-22 (KJV)

1. If we hear (choose) and open (mix faith) “sup”  
NLT ..... share a meal together as friends.
2. Our level of intimacy is connected to hearing and mixing faith with God’s voice (inner witness)

[ Why Do So Many Struggle With God’s Voice or Hearing God? ]

[ Top 5 ]

1. Media reports (movies, newspapers, evening news)  
“Only kooks hear God.”  
(serial killers / people going postal / mom drowns baby)
2. People using God’s name in vain (#3 of big 10)

God said ..... God said ..... God said .....  
No change / no fruit / no repentance  
Manipulate others with “God said.”

3. God’s voice is a threat to false or dead religion  
Religion only THRIVES where God’s not ALIVE.  
A mute God is vital to religion.  
Example: worshiping a stone bird  
It doesn’t talk / no obedience required / no relationship / submission / accountability
4. The way we’re trained to think in the West  
Five senses driven / human reason led  
\* if it can’t be perceived with the five senses, IT’S NOT REAL, LEGITIMATE, VALID,  
TRUE.....  
John 4:24 / John 7:38-39 / Proverbs 20:27
5. People simply do not recognize God’s voice  
Dis – regard  
Dis – miss  
In some rare cases .... dis – obey  
How does God speak / how do I know it’s Him, not just me / how do I discern or judge...