

Prepare to Hear

# God's Voice

*"I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep, and they know me, just as my Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep, too, that are not in this sheepfold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice; and there will be one flock with one shepherd. John 10:14-16 (NLT)*

Prayer is much more about hearing and understanding the voice of God than it is about being certain that He hears and understands you.

Seven prayers to prepare you to hear God's voice:

1. Lord, You alone know my heart. I yield my heart to You and trust You to speak to me there.
2. Father, Your Word is true. Speak truth to me through Your Word today.
3. What You tell me, I will do.

4. Speak to me, LORD through the minds and hearts of the people praying with me. Give them spiritual discernment and insight.
5. I will praise You, for You are good, and You are wise. You will work all things together for my good and Your glory.
6. Lord, for these things I am grateful (list 5 blessings in your life).
7. Thank you for speaking to me today.

*Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know. Jeremiah 33:3 (NKJV)*

When you anticipate hearing the voice of God you will not be disappointed. God is going to speak to you. However, the situation that brings you here today is perhaps so difficult you are having a hard time hearing His voice. If so, pray this:

*Father, the circumstances of my life have created a thick darkness. I am afraid of what I can't see. But because You dwell with me even in this darkness, I will boldly approach the darkness. (see Exodus 20:21 when Moses did this). I know that You are with me. Speak to me every step of the way. Speak to me today as I pray.*