

1 Kings 19: 9 – 15 - How to Hear for God – Part 2

How God Speaks

- 1) Intro
 - a) ***Q: What do you do when you want to hear from God?***
 - i) (if new people) ***Q: Do you think we can hear from God?***
 - (1) Prophets did, leaders did
 - (2) Satan tells us (lies to us) that we can't
 - ii) Goal is for us to gain some practical tools so we can HFG
- 2) Last time – “Stop and Listen”
 - a) 1 Kings 19:9-15
 - i) Elijah was very frazzled
 - ii) Sometimes we are the fire, earthquake, wind
 - (1) Flesh wants action
 - (2) God wants us to be still and listen
 - iii) Flesh is full of energy – wants to act – Force your flesh to be still
- 3) *Logos vs Rhema*
 - a) ***Q: Have you heard of the Logos and Rhema word of God? What is the difference?***
 - i) Logos – written, Bible text
 - ii) Rhema – living, revealed
 - iii) Logos won't tell you which job to take; we may need a spoken or revealed, rhema, word.
 - iv) ***Q: What are some examples of the rhema word?***
 - (1) Wisdom, prophecy, highlighting the written word, visions, dreams, etc.
 - b) Rhema will not contradict the written word
 - i) ***Q: Why is it important to know that rhema will not contradict logos?***
 - (1) Becomes a test of the authenticity of the word
 - (2) ***Q: What other tests for authenticity are there?***
 - (a) Agreement in your spirit, does not take glory away from God
- 4) Wisdom and common sense
 - a) James 1:5-8
 - i) God's wisdom is available to us
 - ii) ***Q: Why does God keep His wisdom from those who “don't expect Him to answer?”***
 - (1) They are not definitive, they ask God for His solution, but only add it to the pool of arguments in their mind and don't resolve to act on any of them.
 - iii) ***Q: What can we do if we don't hear from God and we need to make a decision?***
 - (1) Use wisdom, common sense, follow the last thing He told us
- 5) Conclusion
 - a) Setting our selves to listen
 - b) Logos vs Rhema
 - c) One of the ways God speaks to us – wisdom and common sense