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Hearing The Voice Of Jesus

If you ever work with children you will experience times when you ask them to do things over and over and it seems like they do not hear you. They just keep doing what they want to do. This was the case on a Saturday morning. One child was not having a good day. She was not hearing anything. It was time to have a one-on-one conversation. At the end of our conversation, we talked about prayer. She was encouraged to go to a quiet place and talk to the Lord in prayer when things bothered her. She responded, "how can I hear Jesus speak to me?" The answer was quite simple; Jesus speaks to us through his words found in the Bible. She had previously received one through the Ladies of Excellence project.

This conversation caused me to reflect on the stories of two young servants of the Lord, whose stories are told in the pages of the Bible. The first one was Samuel. When he was a young child, his parents took him to the temple and dedicated him to be a servant of the Lord. He was the kind of child that every parent would want – one who runs to them and responds in obedience when called. One night Samuel heard his name being called three times. Each time he would run to Eli the priest ready to respond in obedience to his command. Samuel did not know it was the Lord speaking to him. Finally, perceiving that it was the voice of the Lord, Eli told Samuel, when you hear the call again answer, "Speak Lord for your servant hears." Samuel answered accordingly and from that day the child Samuel heard the voice of the Lord and became his prophet.

The second story is that of Timothy. Paul reminded him, "from a child you have known the holy scriptures, which are able to make you wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." (1 Timothy 3:15-16) Timothy grew to be a young Christian leader because, from a child he was able to hear Jesus speak to him through the Holy Scriptures.

Timothy's mother and grandmother understood the importance of instructing Timothy in the scriptures starting from the time he was a little child. The scriptures he heard would provide conviction when he was tempted with youthful lust. The wisdom of the scriptures was the voice that called out to him and corrected him when he was enticed to depart from the path of righteousness. The scriptures he heard, spoke to him so he could recognize what God established to be truth and, he would not be deceived by what the world presents as being right. The scriptures he heard gave him confidence and boldness to preach the gospel of Christ in his youth despite the threat of persecution.

Timothy and Samuel had parents who prepared them to hear and follow the voice of the Lord. However,



Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was hungry and you gave me meat: I was thirsty and you gave me drink. *Matthew* 25:34 –35

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many children do not come from homes where the words of Jesus are present and heard. The scriptures remind us of something that is quite obvious: "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed, and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard, how shall they hear without a preacher?" At Jubilee Music Enrichment we understand the importance of preaching the gospel to children who would have no one else to teach them. We realize that childhood is a most crucial stage in spiritual development. Jesus can call and prepare children who walk in our doors to be his mighty, young servants. Therefore, in all that we do, we have a responsibility to preach to them the Holy Scriptures so they can believe and call on Jesus when they hear his voice.

It is our desire to see each child become a minister, a young leader, for the Lord Jesus Christ. Please join us in this ministry and pray that every child we serve will hear the voice of Jesus speaking to them and respond, "Speak Lord for your servant hears."

Prayer Request

- Please pray that the lives of our children and their parents be transformed through the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Continue to pray that the Lord will provide the funds to purchase and enable us to move into our building. It would be wonderful if we could start summer programs in the building. Also pray that the Lord will use us as a testimony to show his power and goodness to the sellers and all who would be involved in the process.
- We give prayers of thanks for those whom the Lord has blessed to contribute towards the ministry. We are grateful for those who have become a part of this ministry through giving. The Apostle Paul said one plants, one waters but the Lord brings forth the increase.
- Please pray that the Lord will send faithful Christian servants to help with the ministry. We will need volunteers as we expand the ministry and reach more children.
- Continue to pray for the Ladies of Excellence project. Various groups have expressed an interest in the project. They express that it is greatly needed. Pray that the program will grow and prepare young girls to honor Christ in all that they do.
- We are thankful for answered prayer. One of the parents who a has been without transportation for months was able to obtain a car. Pray for the other parents that are still in need of transportation.
- Continue to pray as we prepare for concerts this spring. A calendar of events can be found on our website: www.jubileeringers.com.



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