Developing a Listening Ear to God

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Sunday School-LTC Lesson

A Weekly Christian Growth Series
A Christian Life Connection Series

"DEVELOPING MY RELATIONSHIPS"

Bible Fact: God expects for His chosen, saved people, to hear His voice in order for them to demonstrated and communicate an effective response of obedience and **acceptanc e** of His will.

The Big Idea: By developing a **sensitive spiritual ear** to the voice of God the faith, righteousness, peace, prosperity, power and joy of every believer will become more **personally rewarding** and to the glory of God.

God does speak: He spoke in the Old Testament from the beginning.

- A. God spoke in creation; Genesis 1:3,6,9,11, 14, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 29
- God's **first word** spoken (**logos** is Greek for word) to man was about having power over possession and prosperity Genesis 1:26-30
- B. **God spoke** to Adam (and Eve); Genesis 2:16, 17; 3:9-13

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- God's **second word** spoken (**logos** is Greek for word) to man was concerning relationshi ps (Review last lessons outline for details)
- In the Bible, the rest of God's speaking to man from Genesis 2:16 forward to the end of the Bible is about how to handle or how to forge right relationships in His created world that emphasize harmony:
 - God spoke to Adam concerning his need for companionship; Genesis 2:16, 17
- When **Satan speaks** to God's creation he always **changes and confuses** what God meant to be or what God

originally

put in place for man's

future good

. God always intended to control the future and destiny of human beings.

Genesis 3:1-5

- God spoke to Adam & Eve concerning their compliance to follow His instructions. Notice how **noncompliance** to what God spoke put res trictions on Adam & Eve's prosperity and relationship

(Proverbs 1:7-19); Genesis 3:9-13