

LESSON 1 OF 11

Will you do what it takes to learn
the “language” of the Spirit?



Elder Ulisses Soares explains how to “Hear Him”

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#HearHim

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LET’S TALK ABOUT IT

How do you learn a
new language?



Keys to learning a new language

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Just as learning an instrument or a language is a process, **learning the language of the Spirit is also a process**, one that is vital for each of us to learn, whether we are recently baptized or long-time members of the Church.
(Linda K. Burton, CES Devotional, March 2, 2024)



The Savior taught in the Book of Mormon that the Lamanites “were baptized with fire and the Holy Ghost, and they knew it not.” It is my deep desire that we will **increase in our ability to hear and understand the promptings of the Spirit** and act on the promptings that we get from the Holy Ghost. In order to do so, we must first learn to recognize His voice. (Linda K. Burton, CES Devotional, March 2, 2024)



In learning the language of the Spirit, we sometimes confuse our own thoughts and our own emotions with the promptings of the Spirit. Another reason is that discerning the Spirit is a gift of the Spirit. **Just as learning a language comes easily to some and not to others, so does the ability to understand the whisperings of the Spirit.**
(Linda K. Burton, CES Devotional, March 2, 2024)



Most often, learning an instrument or language takes a great deal of effort, including practicing and sometimes making mistakes. So it is with the process of learning the language of the Spirit. **Would it help you to know that personal revelation is a line-upon-line, precept-upon-precept process** that even prophets, seers, and revelators have to learn to understand? (Linda K. Burton, CES Devotional, March 2, 2024)



LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

What is the process of learning the language of the Spirit?



“But in coming days, it will not be possible to survive spiritually without the guiding, directing, comforting, and constant influence of the Holy Ghost. My beloved brothers and sisters, I plead with you to **increase your spiritual capacity to receive revelation**” (Russell M. Nelson, April 2018).



We have all asked these questions:

How do I recognize the various methods God uses to speak to me?

Am I familiar with the guidelines that govern receiving spiritual promptings?

How can I really tell that it is the Lord speaking to me?

How can I discern the difference between my feelings and the voice of the Lord?

How can I hear the voice of the Lord more clearly, more directly, and more frequently?

How does revelation come to me personally?

What are the key principles that help me know how to “hear” and understand personal revelation?

What can I do to avoid being misled as I seek heavenly guidance?

How can increase my sensitivity to the promptings of the Holy Ghost?

1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheep fold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.



2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

3 To him the porter openeth; and **the sheep hear his voice**: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.

John 10:1-3

4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: **for they know his voice**.

5 And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: **for they know not the voice of strangers**.

John 10:4-5



I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. **My sheep hear my voice**, and I know them, and they follow me (John 10:14, 27).





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As followers of Christ, why is learning the language of the Spirit so important?



God is speaking to you.
Can you hear Him, and
are you listening?

For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because **they are spiritually discerned.**

2 Corinthians 2:11, 14

Hearken, O ye people of my church, **saith the voice of him who dwells on high**, and whose eyes are upon all men; yea, verily I say: Hearken ye people from afar; and ye that are upon the islands of the sea, listen together.

D&C 1:1

For verily the voice of the Lord is unto **all men**, and there is none to escape; and there is no eye that shall not see, neither ear that shall not hear, neither heart that shall not be penetrated.

D&C 1:2

Wherefore the voice of the Lord is unto the ends of the earth, **that all that will hear may hear:**

D&C 1:11

Listen to the voice of Jesus Christ, your Lord, your God, and your Redeemer, whose word is quick and powerful.

D&C 27:1

...for **mine elect hear my voice** and harden not their hearts;

D&C 29:7

And even so will I gather mine elect from the four quarters of the earth, even as many as will believe in me, and **hearken unto my voice**.

D&C 33:6

And every one that **hearkeneth to the voice** of the Spirit cometh unto God, even the Father.

D&C 84:47

And whoso receiveth not my voice is **not acquainted with my voice**, and is not of me.

D&C 84:52



LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

If we know the language of the Lord, then why aren't the answers always clear?

Overview of the 11 Personal Revelation Classes



"Wrong Roads" Elder Jeffrey R. Holland

<https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/comeuntochrist/video/wrong-roads>

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1

**How can you learn another language
—the language of the Spirit?**



2

**What are the multiple sources of
revelation, and why is the Holy
Ghost more converting than any
other forms of revelation?**



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What are the principles for receiving revelation? Why is most revelation given a little at a time?



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What are the principles for receiving revelation? Why must you be spiritually self-reliant?



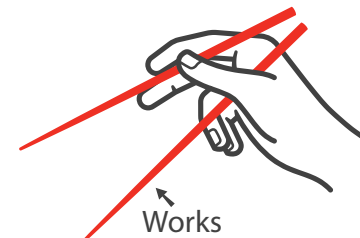
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How can you counteract counterfeit revelation, misinformation, disinformation, malformation, propaganda, and fake news?



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How can you increase the likelihood of receiving more revelation? Why must you learn, apply, and believe the Word?



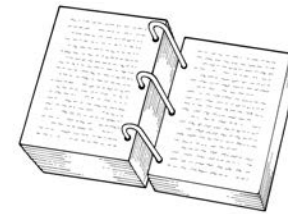
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What are some other things you can do to increase the likelihood of receiving more revelation? Why does being righteous help?



8

Have you searched the scriptures seeking for answers to your questions? Did the Lord already answer your concerns centuries ago?



9

Why does the Lord send others to reveal His will to you in the form of leaders, spouses, friends, even kids?



10

Why does it sometimes take dedicated prayer and fasting to receive revelation?



11

Does God really hear you? Does He know what you need? How can you be more patient while waiting on the Lord's timetable?



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What are some of your favorite scriptures that talk about receiving revelation?



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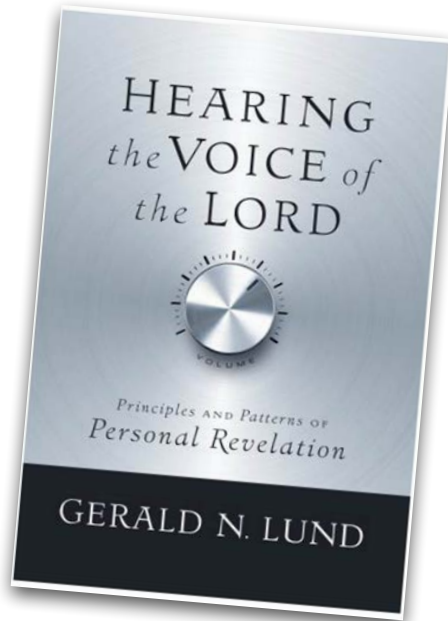
In the scriptures, Heavenly Father has repeatedly introduced His Son, Jesus Christ, with a specific invitation to “hear Him.” How do we hear the voice of the Lord? How do we hear Him better and more often? Learn how Apostles and other Church leaders personally “hear” the Lord Jesus Christ through the Spirit.

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