

“How Well Do You Listen?”

Luke 6:46-49

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Introduction:

- Luke 6:46-49
 - Matthew 11:15
 - Matthew 13:9
 - Matthew 13:43
 - Mark 4:23-24
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1. Three Types of Hearing:

a. Dull of Hearing: **Hebrews 5:11**

- i. Greek – **Nothros** ... English - Slow ... “Laziness ... sluggish in learning.”
- ii. Greek – **Akoe** (A-Coe-A) ... English – Learn ... “Lazy to one’s ears ... Slow to understand.”
- iii. **Matthew 13:13-15**
- iv. **James 1:22-25**

b. Itching Ears:

- i. **2nd Timothy 4:3-4**

c. Noble and Good Hearts:

- i. **Luke 8:15**
- ii. **Acts 17:11**

2. The Importance of Good Listening:

a. It is Essential to Being Blessed:

- i. **Matthew 13:16-17**

b. It is Essential to Saving Faith:

- i. **Romans 10:17**
- ii. **Romans 1:16-17**

c. It is Essential to Bearing Fruit:

- i. **Colossians 1:6**

d. It is Essential to Preventing Apostasy:

- i. Greek – **Apostasia** ... English – Apostasy ... “To depart from or leave a previous standing or belief system ... To forsake.”
- ii. **2nd Timothy 3:16-17**
- iii. **1st Corinthians 6:9-11**
- iv. **Hebrews 2:1**

e. It is Essentials to Avoiding Rejection and Condemnation:

- i. **Matthew 10:14-15**
- ii. **Acts 13:46**
- iii. **Matthew 12:41-42**

3. Practical Tips to Better Listening:

- a. Make Listening an act of worship.
- b. Listen from First – to – Last.

- c. Look at the Speaker.
- d. Read along in your Bible.
- e. Listen with Faith.
 - i. **Hebrews 4:1-2**
 - ii. **2nd Corinthians 5:7**
- f. Listen with a mind to act.
 - i. **Ezekiel 33:30-32**
- g. **James 1:22**
- h. **James 2:17**
- i. **Isaiah 55:2-3**
- j. **Isaiah 59:1-2**

