

God – One who speaks, or a mute idol?

This is a short study designed to get you thinking as you walk your journey with God. I pray that you would come to know the Lord as One who desires to be known, and to be intimately involved in your every day life. *“Abide in me, and I will abide in you”*. **John 15:4**

Below we have just a few verses to ponder, if time permitted (hours), we could more thoroughly search out the Scriptures, but these will give you a general overview.

Genesis 1:3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24, 26

Exodus 33:11 & Numbers 12:6-8

1 Samuel 3:1-18

John 2:5

Jesus in the Gospel of John (E.g. John 5:19-20a; 12:49; 14:10; 14:31; 13:15)

Matthew 17:5

John 10:4, 16 & 27

John 16:13

Acts 2:17-18

Heb.13:8 “Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever”.

If we had the time to look right through Scripture, we would see that God spoke to His people through all kinds of ways. Some of them are His Word (Heb.4:12; 2 Tim.3:16-17); dreams and visions (Job 33:14-18; Mt.2:13; Acts 10:9-23+); a voice (1 Kgs.19:11-13); prophecy – other people (2 Samuel 12:1-14); Creation & nature (Ps.19:1-4); even His peace (Col.3:15; Phil.4:4-7). It is taken for granted in this, that we should live a life fully surrendered to the Lordship of Jesus, as we move on in maturity in the Lord. After all, Jesus said “My sheep will hear my voice” – Jn.10:4, not His lambs!

May our hearts be like David’s, who was called by God, “a man after my own heart” (Acts 13:22), when in Ps.27:8 we read “When you said ‘Seek My face’, my heart said ‘Your face, Lord, I will seek’”. Let’s not be like the Israelites, whose hearts turned away from God, and the Lord said of them “Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion” (Heb.3:7-15 cf Ps.95:7-11).

So, what is your answer to the titles question?

Many blessings upon you as you journey with God. My prayer is that you would go on in your walk and be all that the Lord created you to be, remembering that He created you and has a purpose for your life. I pray also that you may walk in close relationship with Him always.

“You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to mute idols. Therefore, I tell you that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says “Jesus be cursed”, and no one can say “Jesus is Lord”, except by the Holy Spirit”. **1 Cor.12:2-3**