



The one word that will change everything ...

Listen.

Matthew 17:1-9 After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!” When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified.

There is a difference between “listening” and “hearing”.

- Hearing is an involuntary sound.
- Listening is actively understanding so that we can act.

Why should we listen to Jesus?

There are four voices that speak to us on a regular basis.

- 1 - Our voice (Lies to us on a regular basis)
- 2 - Their voice (They can't make up their mind)
- 3 - The wicked one's voice (Everything he speaks is not true)
- 4 - God's voice (Jesus not only tells us the truth, HE is the truth)

How do we listen to Jesus?

- 1 - His word. (2 Timothy 3:16)
- 2 - His praise. (Psalms 22:3)
- 3 - His people. (Prov. 27:7)
- 4 - His voice. (John 10:27)

Why don't we listen to Jesus?

- 1 - We haven't been around Him enough to know His voice.
- 2 - We are too busy listening to other voices.
- 3 - We are never quite enough.
- 4 - We don't want to.

Questions:

How well do you listen to Jesus?

In what ways have you heard Him in times past?

How will you “listen” to the voice of Jesus this week?