

Take Heed How You Hear

What Jesus Said About Hearing

- ◉ Matthew 13:10-17
- ◉ Mark 4:24, 33-34
- ◉ Luke 8:18
- ◉ “For whoever has, to him more will be given, and he will have abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him”

“For The Heart Of This People Has Grown Dull”

- Not about intelligence
- Hearing is backward, lethargic
- Other Maladies
 - Atrophy
 - Hardening
- Hebrews 5:11
- Eternal consequences: Cannot turn and be healed (Matthew 13:15)

How Shall We Hear?

- Nehemiah 8:1-18
- Wanted the book of the Law of Moses
- Ezra brought the book and read it
- Attentive to the reading
- Respect and reverence for the Law
- The people answered with “Amen, Amen!”
- The people responded with godly sorrow
- The people responded with gladness over understanding – intent to do
- Continued interest in doing what the law said
- They went and did what the law said
- There was great joy.
 - They heard the law, they understood it, they believed it, they were pricked by it, and they responded obediently to it

How Shall We Hear?

- Without prejudice
 - The message, not the man
 - 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
 - 2 Corinthians 10:7-11

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- ◉ Without prejudice
- ◉ With reverence
 - Exodus 5:2
 - Hebrews 12:28
 - Philippians 2:12

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- ◉ Without prejudice
- ◉ With reverence
- ◉ Attentively
 - John 12:48

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- ◉ Attentively
- ◉ Personally
 - James 1:22-25
 - Hebrews 4:12-13

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- ◉ Attentively
- ◉ Personally
- ◉ Examining
 - Acts 17:11
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:20-21
 - 2 Corinthians 11:1-4

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- ◉ Attentively
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- ◉ Examining
- ◉ With desire and intention to do
 - Hebrews 5:8-9
 - Acts 10:33
 - Acts 17:21- Not!
 - Acts 17:32
 - Acts 24:25

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