

Here-ing Part 1 February 26, 2023 Here is where you Hear



I. HE'S BEEN "HERE" THE WHOLE TIME

- A. Thoughts about the Asbury University revival
 - People will find whatever they're looking for
 - We ask God to continue to breathe His spirit throughout the earth
- B. "Here" and "Go" are connected

Luke 24:46-49 (TLB) ⁴⁶ And he said, "Yes, it was written long ago that the Messiah must suffer and die and rise again from the dead on the third day; ⁴⁷ and that this message of salvation should be taken from Jerusalem to all the nations: *There is forgiveness of sins for all who turn to me.* ⁴⁸ You have seen these prophecies come true. ⁴⁹ "And now I will send the Holy Spirit upon you, just as my Father promised. Don't begin telling others yet—stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven."

Acts 1:4 (TLB) In one of these meetings he told them not to leave Jerusalem until the Holy Spirit came upon them in fulfillment of the Father's promise, a matter he had previously discussed with them.

• Jesus tells them to go, but before you go, wait

Acts 1:8 (TLB) But when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power to testify about me with great effect, to the people in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth, about my death and resurrection."

- My "here" is connected to my assignment to "go"
- God wants a response more than a moment, message or monument

Question: What are you hearing... here?

II. HERE-ING

A. Here is where we hear

Exodus 3:1-4 (NLT) ¹ "One day Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian. He led the flock far into the wilderness and came Sinai, the mountain of God." ² There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a blazing fire from the middle of a bush. Moses stared in amazement. Though the bush was engulfed in flames, it didn't burn up. ³ "This is amazing," Moses said to himself. "Why isn't that bush burning up? I must go see it." ⁴ When the Lord saw Moses coming to take a closer look, God called to him from the middle of the bush, "Moses! Moses!" "Here I am!" Moses replied.

- We can become so frustrated with our location (here) that we can't hear
- Here can become frustrating when you can't HEAR
- Here can be scary depending on what you hear
- We aren't "hearing" impaired, we're "here-ing" impaired



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Romans 10:17 (NKJV) So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

- B. Faith isn't the only thing that comes by hearing
 - Fear comes by hearing
 - Fake comes by hearing
 - Failure comes by hearing
- C. How do I hear the voice of God?
 - I think one of the biggest limitations in "hearing God" is what you've heard about God

III. FORGET WHAT YOU'VE HEARD

A. Often we hear about God, before we hear from God

Jeremiah 33:3 (TLB) Ask me and I will tell you some remarkable secrets about what is going to happen <u>here</u>.