

Listening to God pt3 Pr.Victor Barreira

The Word

Mathew 7:11 “As evil as you are, you know how to give good things to your children”

- As much as we like to think that the human race is a good people, the truth is that sin has entered into man’s being, making him unlike God. Our righteousness is like filthy rags. All that is good comes from God alone.
- When we lost our glory in the Garden of Eden, man’s mind became corrupt.
- God immediately began to deal with the sin problem by covering (atoning) Adam and Eve with animal skins. In otherwords, the animal ‘paid’ for their sin.
- Thru time, God prophesied that He would deal ultimately with the sin problem by sending the messiah. (The Word became flesh Jn 1:14)

We have the Mind of Christ 1 Cor 2:14

- Because of our faith in Christ, our spirit begins to be regenerated into the likeness of God, and our mind is ‘washed’ with His word, giving our conscience a new mind...the Mind of Christ.

2 vs’s on Discipline:

Proverbs 12:1 *Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates correction is stupid*
*“He who ignores **discipline** despises himself, but whoever heeds correction gains understanding*
(Proverbs 15:32).”

“Without discipline, no matter how good you are, you are nothing! One day, you're going to meet a tough guy who takes your best shot. He'll keep coming because he's tough. Don't get discouraged. That's when the discipline comes in.” Mike Tyson.

- God puts people in your path to teach you. They’ve LEARNED something!
God puts His Word before us to discipline us. How are you at spending time with God’s word? I challenge you to discipline your life around God’s Word. It will transform you.

READ John 15:7 “...abiding in my Word”

- What does abide mean? obey, observe, follow, hold to, conform to, stick to, stand by, uphold, accept, respect

DIFFERENT WAYS TO GET THE WORD IN YOU

- Bible (21 day Gospel of John reading Plan)
- Books
- Small Groups
- Sunday Service
- CD’s & DVD’s

Closing

Mathew 7:11... *how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good (the Holy Spirit) to those who ask Him!*

This scripture is saying, even though we have sinned, God is more than willing to give us good things simply because of His love towards us. This is called grace. Ask Him for the Holy Spirit. He wants to give the gift to you today!