~HEARING (1305)

[English, perceive sound, have the sense of hearing, understand, open oneself to counsel, to learn about, trial, inquiry, investigation, examination, consideration]

- Sarah felt that everyone hearing of her having a child at ninety would laugh at her.
- Then Sarah said; God has prepared laughter for me. Everybody hearing of it will laugh at me. (Genesis 21:6)
- Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the hearing of all his people in the gate of their city, and there concluded with Abraham a legal agreement for the purchase of a burial site for Sarah.
- As it was, Ephron was sitting among the sons of Heth. So Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the hearing of the sons of Heth with all those entering the gate of his city, saying; (Genesis 23:10)
- And spoke to Ephron in the hearing of the natives, saying; Only if you, no, listen to me! I will give you the amount of silver for the field. Take it from me, that I may bury my dead there. (Genesis 23:13)
- Accordingly Abraham listened to Ephron, and Abraham weighed out to Ephron the amount of silver that he had spoken in the hearing of the sons of Heth, four hundred silver shekels current with the merchants. (Genesis 23:16)
- When Laban saw the nose ring and was hearing the witness of Rebekah concerning Abraham's servant.
- And it came about that on seeing the nose ring and the bracelets on the hands of his sister and on hearing the words of Rebekah his sister, saying; This is the way the man spoke to me, then he came to the man and there he was, standing by the camels at the fountain. (Genesis 24:30)
- Upon hearing from his father Isaac that he had lost the blessing to Jacob Esau cried out in a bitter manner.

- On hearing his father's words Esau began to cry out in an extremely loud and bitter manner and to say to his father; Bless me, even me too, my father! (Genesis 27:34)
- Joseph's brothers asked to speak a word in his hearing for he was as powerful as Pharaoh and they respected that.
- Judah now came near to him and said; I pray you, my master, please let your slave speak a word in the hearing of my master, and do not let your anger grow hot against your slave, because it is the same with you as with Pharaoh. (Genesis 44:18)
- Joseph asked in the hearing of Pharaoh to be allowed to return his father to Canaan, and bury him there.
- Finally the days of weeping for him passed, and Joseph spoke to Pharaoh's household, saying; If, now, I have found favor in your eyes, speak, please, in the hearing of Pharaoh, saying; (Genesis 50:4)
- When Moses came down from the mountain he was hearing the sound of raucous celebration in the camp of Israel.
- But he said; It is not the sound of the singing over mighty performance, and it is not the sound of the singing of defeat. It is the sound of other singing that I am hearing. (Exodus 32:18)
- Balaam spoke of himself as one hearing the sayings of God.
- The utterance of the one hearing the sayings of God, who got to see a vision of the Almighty while falling down with the eyes uncovered. (Numbers 24:4)
- The utterance of the one hearing the sayings of God, and the one knowing the knowledge of the Most High. A vision of the Almighty he got to see while falling down with the eyes uncovered: (Numbers 24:16)
- If a father upon hearing an oath made by his daughter disagreed with it, he could annul it. Likewise a husband could do so with his wife.
- But if her father has forbidden her on the day of his hearing all her vows or her abstinence vows that she has bound upon her

- soul, it will not stand, but Yehowah will forgive her, because her father forbade her. (Numbers 30:5)
- And her husband actually hears it and keeps silent toward her on the day of his hearing it, her vows must also stand or her abstinence vows that she has bound upon her soul will stand. (Numbers 30:7)
- But if her husband on the day of hearing it forbids her, he has also annulled her vow that was upon her or the thoughtless promise of her lips that she bound upon her soul, and Yehowah will forgive her. (Numbers 30:8)
- But if her husband has totally annulled them on the day of his hearing any expression of her lips as her vows or as an abstinence vow of her soul, they will not stand. Her husband has annulled them, and Yehowah will forgive her. (Numbers 30:12)
- But if her husband absolutely keeps silent toward her from day to day, he has also established all her vows or all her abstinence vows that are upon her. He has established them because he kept silent toward her on the day of his hearing them. (Numbers 30:14)
- And if he totally annuls them after his hearing them, he also actually bears her error. (Numbers 30:15)
- The judges of Israel were commanded when having a hearing to act with righteousness between men.
- And I went on to command your judges at that particular time, saying; When having a hearing between your brothers, you must judge with righteousness between a man and his brother or his alien resident. (Deuteronomy 1:16)
- When Yehowah God spoke to Israel from within the fire on the mountain they were hearing the sound of words but no form did they see.
- And Yehowah began to speak to you out of the middle of the fire. The sound of words was what you were hearing, but no form were you seeing, nothing but a voice. (Deuteronomy 4:12)
- And now why should we die, for this great fire may consume us?

If we are again hearing the voice of Yehowah our God any further, we are also certain to die. (Deuteronomy 5:25)

- Moses was commanded to read to all the people the Law in the hearing of all.
- When all Israel comes to see the face of Yehowah your God in the place that he will choose, you will read this Law in front of all Israel in their hearing. (Deuteronomy 31:11)
- Congregate to me all the older men of your tribes and your officers, and let me speak in their hearing these words, and let me take the heavens and the earth as witnesses against them. (Deuteronomy 31:28)
- And Moses proceeded to speak in the hearing of all the congregation of Israel the words of this song until their completion. (Deuteronomy 31:30)
- Thus Moses came and spoke all the words of this song in the hearing of the people, he and Hoshea the son of Nun. (Deuteronomy 32:44)
- An unintentional murderer was to speak to the older men of the city, and tell them what caused him to flee there.
- And he must flee to one of these cities and stand at the entrance of the gate of the city and speak his words in the hearing of the older men of that city, and they must receive him into the city to themselves and give him a place and he must dwell with them.

 (Joshua 20:4)
- Gideon spoke in the hearing of the people telling anyone afraid and trembling at the prospect of war to retire for home.
- And now call out, please, in the hearing of the people, saying; Who is there afraid and trembling? Let him retire. So Gideon put them to the proof. With that, twenty-two thousand of the people retired, and there were ten thousand that remained. (Judges 7:3)
- Abimelech asked in the hearing of all the landowners of Shechem, if they wanted him to rule over them.
- Speak, please, in the hearing of all the landowners of Shechem,

Which is better for you, for seventy men, all the sons of Jerubbaal, to rule over you or for one man to rule over you? And you must remember that your bone and your flesh I am. (Judges 9:2)

- So the brothers of his mother began speaking all these words about him in the hearing of all the landowners of Shechem so that their heart inclined toward Abimelech, for they said; He is our own brother. (Judges 9:3)
- Samuel told his sons that what he was hearing from the people about them was bad.
- And he used to say to them; Why do you keep doing things like these? For the things I am hearing about you from all the people are bad. (1 Samuel 2:23)
- No, my sons, because the report is not good that I am hearing, that the people of Yehowah are causing to circulate. (1 Samuel 2:24)
- Samuel gave a hearing to all the words of the people when they spoke with him.
- And Samuel gave a hearing to all the words of the people, then he spoke them in the ears of Yehowah. (1 Samuel 8:21)
- The spirit of Yehowah God became operative upon Saul on his hearing these words.
- And the spirit of God became operative upon Saul on his hearing these words, and his anger got very hot. (1 Samuel 11:6)
- Samuel asked why he was hearing the sound of a flock in his ears when Yehowah God commanded him to destroy them.
- But Samuel said; Then what does this sound of the flock in my ears mean, and the sound of the herd that I am hearing? (1 Samuel 15:14)
- Absalom tried to usurp the authority of David his father, by hearing the complaints of the people favorably.
- And Absalom would say to him; See, your matters are good and

straight, but there is no one from the king giving you a hearing. (2 Samuel 15:3)

- David's reputation made it so that one hearing of his going up to fight would assume that defeat had taken his enemies.
- Look! Now he is in hiding in one of the hollows or in one of the other places, and it will certainly occur that, just as soon as he falls upon them at the start, the one hearing of it will then be bound to hear and say; A defeat has taken place among the people that are following Absalom! (2 Samuel 17:9)
- But the man said to Joab; And although I were weighing upon my palms a thousand pieces of silver, I should not thrust my hand out against the king's son, for in our hearing it was that the king commanded you and Abishai and Ittai, saying; Watch, whoever you are, over the young man, over Absalom. (2 Samuel 18:12)
- The queen of Sheba was hearing the report about Solomon, and so she came to test him with perplexing questions.
- Now the queen of Sheba was hearing the report about Solomon in connection with the name of Yehowah. So she came to test him with perplexing questions. (1 Kings 10:1)
- Josiah was blessed for when hearing the words of Yehowah God's covenant he humbled himself.
- For the reason that your heart was soft so that you humbled yourself because of Yehowah at your hearing what I have spoken against this place and its inhabitants for it to become an object of astonishment and a malediction, and then you ripped your garments apart and began weeping before me, I, even I, have heard, is the utterance of Yehowah. (2 Kings 22:19)
- For the reason that your heart was soft so that you humbled yourself because of God at your hearing his words concerning this place and its inhabitants, and you humbled yourself before me and ripped your garments apart and wept before me, I, even I, have heard, is the utterance of Yehowah. (2 Chronicles 34:27)
- In Solomon's day when the priests and Levites stood and blessed the people, a hearing was granted to their requests by Yehowah God.

- Finally the priests, the Levites, stood up and blessed the people, and a hearing was granted to their voice, so that their prayer came to his holy dwelling, the heavens. (2 Chronicles 30:27)
- In Nehemiah's day all the people upon hearing the reading of the Law covenant were weeping and mourning.
- And Nehemiah, that is, the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest, the copyist, and the Levites who were instructing the people proceeded to say to all the people; This very day is holy to Yehowah your God. Do not mourn or weep. For all the people were weeping as they were hearing the words of the Law. (Nehemiah 8:9)
- The Psalmist showed, that he became like a man not hearing, and he could find no counterarguments.
- And I came to be like a man that was not hearing, and in my mouth there were no counterarguments. (Psalms 38:14)
- The Psalmist showed that Joseph kept hearing a language he had not known during his slavery down in Egypt.
- As a reminder he laid it upon Joseph himself, when he was going forth over the land of Egypt. A language that I did not know I kept hearing. (Psalms 81:5)
- The hearing ear and the seeing eye, Yehowah God made them both.
- The hearing ear and the seeing eye. Yehowah himself has made even both of them. (Proverbs 20:12)
- A wise reprover is like gold ornamentation upon the ears of the one **hearing** his counsel.
- An earring of gold, and an ornament of special gold, is a wise reprover upon the hearing ear. (Proverbs 25:12)
- The prayer of anyone turning away from hearing the Law Covenant, is something detestable to Yehowah God.
- He that is turning his ear away from hearing the Law, even his

prayer is something detestable. (Proverbs 28:9)

- The hearing ear is never satisfied with having heard enough, neither the eye with seeing.
- All things are wearisome. No one is able to speak of it. The eye is not satisfied at seeing, neither is the ear filled from hearing. (Ecclesiastes 1:8)
- A man hearing the rebukes of a wise man, is better off than the one listening to the joyful sons of the stupid ones.
- Better is it to hear the rebuke of someone wise than to be the man hearing the song of the stupid ones. (Ecclesiastes 7:5)
- During the thousand-year reign of the Son of Man, after Satan the Devil is abyssed, the spiritual eyes of those seeing will no longer be pasted shut, and the spiritual ears of those hearing, will actually begin hearing with attentiveness. No longer will the Good News about the Christ and God's Kingdom, be veiled among the nations.
- And the eyes of those seeing will not be pasted together, and the very ears of those hearing will pay attention. (Isaiah 32:3)
- Have any of these idol darlings of men foretold even one true thing from thousands of years ago? Then we might look at their forecasts and say; He was right. Really only Yehowah God himself, has shown himself capable of doing this. Mankind's voiceless idols, say nothing whatever to the sons of men, for they cannot even speak.
- Who has told anything from the start, that we may know, or from times past, that we may say; He is right? Really there is no one telling. Really there is no one causing one to hear. Really there is no one that is hearing any sayings of you men. (Isaiah 41:26)
- Why do Jehovah's Witnesses, and really all of Christendom, not have continuing guidance today and insight from Yehowah? It is because of their own serious sins against Yehowah and his anointed sons. Yehowah is just, and when men reject his true servants, and they call his truths apostasy, it causes a concealing of his face, and he stops hearing their pleas for help.
- No, but the very errors of you people have become the things causing division between you and your God, and your own sins

have caused the concealing of his face from you to keep from hearing. (Isaiah 59:2)

- The Son of Man asks; How long will I keep hearing these warnings? For when the enemy advances far enough they must cease.
- How long shall I keep seeing the signal, keep hearing the sound of the horn? (Jeremiah 4:21)
- Yehowah is in full control of matters and I, as the Son of Man will do exactly as he tells me henceforth. I will not speak to them again until he tells me to. For he has said; Let the one hearing, hear, and the one refraining refrain. Their rebelliousness has put them on a collision course with Yehowah's discipline.
- And when I speak with you I shall open your mouth, and you must say to them; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said. Let the one hearing, hear, and let the one refraining refrain, because they are a rebellious house. (Ezekiel 3:27)
- Jehovah's Witnesses in their pride have derided other religious groups for their manner or practice of Christianity. Yet other religious groups work with the homeless, poor and needy of this world far better than Jehovah's Witnesses do. But in their prideful day there has been no praise coming from their mouths toward anyone in Christendom.
- And Sodom your sister did not prove to be anything worth hearing about from your mouth in the day of your pride. (Ezekiel 16:56)
- Eventually Israel made political alliances with Egypt and then powerful Assyria. As a nation Israel was caught in the net that these powerful nations laid out for her. They took her by means of hooks, by taking all of her people off of their God given land and scattering them to every wind.
- And nations kept hearing about him. In their pit he was caught, and they proceeded to bring him by means of hooks to the land of Egypt. (Ezekiel 19:4)
- Daniel three companions were told when hearing the sound of musical instruments to bow down and worship the idol Nebuchadnezzar had made.

- Because of this, at the same time as all the peoples were hearing the sound of the horn, the pipe, the zither, the triangular harp, the stringed instrument and all sorts of musical instruments, all the peoples, national groups and languages were falling down and worshiping the image of gold that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up. (Daniel 3:7)
- Whom among all of the false religionists does Belshazzar best represent? The 1985 Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses are the most reprehensible of them all. Why? Because the Governing Body, and really all of Jehovah's Witnesses, have an accurate knowledge of the Bible and the truths and principles it teaches, they know all this. They have correctly understood the earlier fulfillment of this dream of Daniel regarding the world power image and the immense tree, and that to which it points, and so they should have learned from it.
- But against the Lord of the heavens you exalted yourself, and they brought before you even the vessels of his house, and you yourself and your grandees, your concubines and your secondary wives have been drinking wine from them, and you have praised mere gods of silver and of gold, copper, iron, wood and stone, that are beholding nothing or hearing nothing or knowing nothing, but the God in whose hand your breath is and to whom all your ways belong you have not glorified. (Daniel 5:23)
- Daniel, fast asleep, now begins hearing the sound of his words, like the sound of a crowd. These visions can be very real, even when fully awake, and they can powerfully affect one, because they take control of one's very being, and you just have to live through it, for normality to return.
- And I began hearing the sound of his words, and while I was hearing the sound of his words, I myself also happened to be fast asleep upon my face, with my face to the earth. (Daniel 10:9)
- Yehowah then shows Amos, that days are coming when he will bring a severe famine into their land. Yet this famine will not be for bread, and the resulting thirst, will not be for water. It will be a famine for hearing the words of Yehowah God, for clearly he will have left them. Look at Christendom today, for some two thousand years have passed by, and not one word from Yehowah God has come to them since the Revelation given to John in 98 C.E. We are living through that famine today, and it is severe! [See also "Revealing The Sons Of God" Chapter 1]

- Look! There are days coming, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah, and I will send a famine into the land, a famine, not for bread, and a thirst, not for water, but for hearing the words of Yehowah. (Amos 8:11)
- Yehowah now tells them, that there will be no relief for the catastrophe that is coming upon them. Their stroke is unhealable, referring to the damage done to the mind when one suffers a stroke. The people first hearing the report about her demise will clap their hands, feeling that she is most deserving of her plight, for she made her own badness pass over to other peoples constantly.
- There is no relief for your catastrophe. Your stroke has become unhealable. All those hearing the report about you will certainly clap their hands at you, because upon whom was it that your badness did not pass over constantly? (Nahum 3:19)
- So then, Yehowah God encouraged his people to be strong, who are hearing his words here spoken through his prophets, on the day in which the foundation of the house of Yehowah of armies, was laid for the temple to be finished.
- This is what Yehowah of armies has said; Let the hands of you people be strong, you who are hearing in these days these words from the mouth of the prophets, on the day on which the foundation of the house of Yehowah of armies was laid, for the temple to be built. (Zechariah 8:9)
- On hearing this it caused quite a stir among the rulership of Jerusalem, who at the time was King Herod. He was agitated, fearing his own kingship and kingly line would be lost, for he was an Edomite, and not a Jew, and he caused all Jerusalem to become agitated over the matter.
- At hearing this King Herod was agitated, and all Jerusalem along with him. (Matthew 2:3)
- Joseph upon hearing that the son of Herod, Archelaus was now ruling in Judea, and he was afraid to go back into Judea, so he withdrew into the territory of Galilee.
- But hearing that Archelaus ruled as king of Judea instead of his father Herod, he became afraid to depart for there. Moreover,

being given divine warning in a dream, he withdrew into the territory of Galilee. (Matthew 2:22)

- Jesus now counsels them as to how to pray. They should not just repeat some prepared prayer over and over again. God is not interested in hearing such liturgies. He wants us to open our hearts to him and tell him of our concerns and cares.
- People of the nations, and even many supposed Christians today use prepared prayers, many even going against Jesus' own counsel by simply repeating the model prayer, which is after all a model for prayer, or a pattern for prayer, showing us the topics that are pertinent, and then we should adapt it to the concerns of our own hearts.
- Sometimes a simple thank you is all that is needed. Yehowah God is not impressed with long windy words or eloquent speech. Rather a heartfelt thank you, and an opening of the heart, is all that is required.
- But when praying, do not say the same things over and over again, just as the people of the nations do, for they imagine they will get a hearing for their use of many words. (Matthew 6:7)
- Next Jesus shows the converse situation, that of a man who upon hearing his word, but does not do it. Him he likens to a foolish man, who built a house without a foundation, one just sitting upon the sand.
- Furthermore, everyone hearing these sayings of mine and not doing them will be likened to a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand. (Matthew 7:26)
- Hearing that then Jesus marveled, that even among those in Israel, who had over a thousand years of experience with God and his dealings, he had found no one with a similar degree of faith as this man of the nations had.
- Hearing that, Jesus became amazed and said to those following him; I tell you the truth, with no one in Israel have I found so great a faith. (Matthew 8:10)
- After hearing them, Jesus responded, that people who are healthy do not need a physician, but only sick people need a doctor. He thus showed, that he was a healing one among them, both physically

and spiritually, and that he went to people who needed his attention, something that the self-righteous scribes and Pharisees saw no value in doing.

- Hearing them, he said; Persons in health do not need a physician, but the ailing do. (Matthew 9:12)
- Jesus now told these men to go back to John the Baptist and report to him all the things, that they themselves were hearing and seeing Jesus perform.
- In reply Jesus said to them; Go your way and report to John what you are hearing and seeing. (Matthew 11:4)
- Since Jesus was daily doing his work, and they came while he was doing this work, they also came to witness firsthand the things that he was accomplishing. The blind ones were seeing, the lame were walking freely, the lepers were being cleansed, and the deaf were hearing. Also dead ones were being raised up, and the poor ones were having the Good News of God declared to them. Indeed he was the promised Messiah, through whom salvation would come to Israel, and later to all the world of mankind.
- The blind are seeing again, and the lame are walking about, the lepers are being cleansed and the deaf are hearing, and the dead are being raised up, and the poor are having the Good News declared to them. (Matthew 11:5)
- Yet the Pharisees upon hearing this talk tried to put it down, becoming unreasonable. They tried to say, that Jesus did such miraculous works, because he was in league with the ruler of the demons, whom they called Beelzebub, but who we know as Satan the Devil. They thus tried to make lowly and unclean, the work of the Holy Spirit among them. There was to be no forgiveness for this wicked talk.
- At hearing this, the Pharisees said; This fellow does not expel the demons except by means of Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons. (Matthew 12:24)
- Jesus then reveals why he speaks to the crowds through illustrations, for it is so that when looking, they will not see, and when hearing they will hear in vain, and not be able to get the true sense of it. Yehowah God and his son Jesus Christ are looking for mature

spiritual men who can think and analyze and appreciate spiritual material. Persons lacking these qualities are then separated from the spiritual ones by means of speaking only through illustrations.

- This is why I speak to them by the use of illustrations, because, looking, they look in vain, and hearing, they hear in vain, neither do they get the sense of it. (Matthew 13:13)
- Thus Jesus showed by quoting Isaiah, that his prophecy was having a fulfillment through these people. They would look, but not actually see, they would hear, but not actually understand. Yehowah God will not allow anyone whose heart is not right toward him, to understand his precious truths.
- And toward them the prophecy of Isaiah is having fulfillment, which says: By hearing, you will hear but by no means get the sense of it, and, looking, you will look but by no means see. (Matthew 13:14)
- Jesus then showed his disciples, how very privileged they were, to be hearing and seeing the things he revealed to them. Indeed many righteous ones coming before them wanted to see and hear these very things, but they did not see or hear them.
- For I truly say to you, many prophets and righteous men desired to see the things you are beholding and did not see them, and to hear the things you are hearing and did not hear them. (Matthew 13:17)
- Next Jesus takes the case of the one sown in rocky places where depth of soil is lacking. Like the soil, which is the heart, these ones are lacking in proper heart motivation. They accept what the word says with great joy, but they have no root towards spiritual matters within themselves.
- So many people fall into this category, for it is by far the most common. The Good News of God's Kingdom appeals to many people, for over a third of the world of mankind say they are Christians. Yet how many behave as Christians, and would remain faithful under trying circumstances, like persecution over their faith, or tribulation.
- As for the one sown upon the rocky places, this is the one hearing the word and at once accepting it with joy. (Matthew 13:20)

- Then a third group is explained, for they are the ones coming up among thorn bushes. They are more materialistic, they may by hearing the Good News, get the sense of the truth, but their desires for material things and for acceptance among people of the world, choke off their spiritual growth, and they bring nothing to perfection.
- As for the one sown among the thorns, this is the one hearing the word, but the anxiety of this system of things and the deceptive power of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. (Matthew 13:22)
- Finally Jesus tells us about the final or fourth group whose hearts are like fine deep soil. Upon hearing it, they understand and accept the message of truth, and then they put it into practice, doing the things that will make them grow strong in the truth.
- They produce according to their own abilities, one a hundredfold, another sixty and another thirty. Therefore fruit bearing is what separates the first three types from the final type of soil.
- As for the one sown upon the fine soil, this is the one hearing the word and getting the sense of it, who really does bear fruit and produces, this one a hundredfold, that one sixty, the other thirty. (Matthew 13:23)
- Upon hearing about John the Baptist, Jesus then sought some quiet time to contemplate what had happened to John, and he and his disciples left from there by boat, for a place of isolation. Yet the crowds getting to hear of where he went, followed him on foot from the cities.
- At hearing this Jesus withdrew from there by boat into a lonely place for isolation, but the crowds, getting to hear of it, followed him on foot from the cities. (Matthew 14:13)
- Now the Pharisees did not view matters this way, and they stumbled over hearing what Jesus said to them. They were not willing to change their thinking to accept a superior view of matters.
- Then the disciples came up and said to him; Do you know that the Pharisees stumbled at hearing what you said? (Matthew 15:12)

- Now the three disciples upon hearing this fell upon their faces for they realized that they were in the very presence of Yehowah God, and they became very much afraid at what they had seen, and what it denoted.
- At hearing this the disciples fell upon their faces and became very much afraid. (Matthew 17:6)
- Well on hearing Jesus' answer, the crowds collected there were astounded at his teaching.
- On hearing that, the crowds were astounded at his teaching. (Matthew 22:33)
- Now at hearing this, some of those on passing by, thought he was calling for Elijah to come and save him.
- At hearing this, some of those standing there began to say; This man is calling Elijah. (Matthew 27:47)
- Jesus on hearing them and quickly quelled this talk. He told them that strong and healthy people have no need of a physician, but that those ailing require his care. Then he showed, that he came to call not righteous people, but sinners to repentance.
- Upon hearing this Jesus said to them; Those who are strong do not need a physician, but those who are ill do. I came to call, not righteous people, but sinners. (Mark 2:17)
- Indeed from great distances, around Jerusalem, and from Idumea, or Edom, and along the seacoast to the west at Tyre and Sidon people came to him. For the news about the things he was doing, had spread far and wide throughout the land of Israel.
- Even from Jerusalem and from Idumea and from across the Jordan and around Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, on hearing of how many things he was doing, came to him. (Mark 3:8)
- Then Jesus showed, that this was done so that the majority on looking, would not see, and the majority on hearing, would not understand, and get the true sense of it. For if they did then they would turn back from their way to repentance and seek God. Yet this was not their inclination in life.

- In order, that, though looking, they may look and yet not see, and, though hearing, they may hear and yet not get the sense of it, nor ever turn back and forgiveness be given them. (Mark 4:12)
- Then he tells them to pay close attention to what they are hearing. They have been blessed to know these things, and so they are not to keep them to themselves, for with the measure that they measure out to others, it will be measured out to them. So if they are generous and share their special knowledge with others, then they in turn will be given more of it to share. Thus Yehowah God rewards the generous soul, who like him is generous, and does his will. Christendom has surely not gotten the sense of this scripture.
- He further said to them; Pay attention to what you are hearing. With the measure that you are measuring out, you will have it measured out to you, yes, you will have more added to you. (Mark 4:24)
- Herod however was in fear of John the Baptist, for he knew he was a righteous and holy man, and he was keeping him safe, though out of the public's eye. So after hearing him, Herod was at a great loss, as to what to do with John the Baptist.
- For Herod stood in fear of John, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man, and he was keeping him safe. And after hearing him he was at a great loss what to do, yet he continued to hear him gladly. (Mark 6:20)
- Then the man's hearing power was opened, and also the impediment of his tongue was loosed, and he began to speak and to hear like any other man.
- Well, his hearing powers were opened, and the impediment of his tongue was loosed, and he began speaking normally. (Mark 7:35)
- Now some of the people nearby, upon hearing it, thought that he was calling for Elijah to come and save him, and they said; He is calling Elijah.
- And some of those standing near, on hearing it, began to say; See! He is calling Elijah. (Mark 15:35)
- Now when those within the synagogue heard his is comments, regarding their lack of faith, they were angered.

- Now all those hearing these things in the synagogue became filled with anger. (Luke 4:28)
- Then when he had completed all his sayings in the hearing of the crowd gathered together before him, he entered into the city of Capernaum, Peter's hometown.
- When he had completed all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered into Capernaum. (Luke 7:1)
- So Jesus told them to return to John the Baptist and tell him about all the things that they themselves had seen and heard. The blind were receiving sight and the lame ones were walking, the lepers were cleansed, and deaf ones were hearing, even the dead were being raised up. Also the poor among mankind were having the Good News declared to them.
- Hence in answer he said to the two; Go your way, report to John what you saw and heard. The blind are receiving sight, the lame are walking, the lepers are being cleansed and the deaf are hearing, the dead are being raised up, the poor are being told the Good News. (Luke 7:22)
- So Jesus told them, that to them the sacred secrets of the Kingdom of the heavens had been opened to them, but to the rest of men Jesus spoke in illustrations, so that though looking they could not see, and though hearing, they might not get the sense of it.
- Yehowah God and his Christ are looking for strong spiritual men who can discern the truth, and who can think for themselves. Thus this use of illustrations would separate those with spiritual ears and eyes, from all those others with ordinary ears and eyes.
- He said; To you it is granted to understand the sacred secrets of the kingdom of God, but for the rest it is in illustrations, in order, that, though looking, they may look in vain and, though hearing, they may not get the meaning. (Luke 8:10)
- Finally there is the fine soil, and these represent the people with fine hearts who upon hearing the word, and not only retain it, but bear righteous spiritual fruitage, even through trying and difficult times. These therefore are the only ones who will be worth harvesting, for they are the only ones bearing righteous spiritual fruitage in their lives.

- As for that on the fine soil, these are the ones that, after hearing the word with a fine and good heart, retain it and bear fruit with endurance. (Luke 8:15)
- On hearing this reply that was lacking in faith, Jesus answered to Jarius; Have no fear, only put forth faith, and she will be saved.
- On hearing this, Jesus answered him; Have no fear, only put forth faith, and she will be saved. (Luke 8:50)
- Herod reasoned, that it could not be John the Baptist, for he beheaded him, so he was thinking, who was this, about whom he was hearing such things. So Herod was seeking to see Jesus.
- Herod said; John I beheaded. Who, then, is this about whom I am hearing such things? So he was seeking to see him. (Luke 9:9)
- Jesus told them, that many other righteous men coming before them, had greatly desired to see the very things that they were now beholding, yet did not live to see them personally. Also many wanted to hear the very things, that they were privileged to be hearing, and never came to hear them themselves.
- For I say to you, many prophets and kings desired to see the things you are beholding but did not see them, and to hear the things you are hearing but did not hear them. (Luke 10:24)
- Now this was true, but Jesus chose to use this to make a reply that would upbuild all present, rather than take a compliment unto himself. So he replied, that happy are those who do the will of God after hearing it, which is a theme he earlier expressed in his Sermon on the Mount.
- But he said; No, rather, Happy are those hearing the word of God and keeping it! (Luke 11:28)
- On hearing Jesus' remarks one of the fellow guests said to Jesus; Happy is he who eats bread in the kingdom of God.
- On hearing these things a certain one of the fellow guests said to him; Happy is he who eats bread in the kingdom of God. (Luke 14:15)

- Yet the man by his question had shown, that he still felt something was lacking within him. So Jesus, hearing his response, and realizing this, told him that there was indeed something still lacking within him. Jesus told him to sell all his possessions and give it to the poor people, and this would give him treasure in heaven. Then Jesus told him, that he could then come and be his disciple.
- After hearing that, Jesus said to him; There is yet one thing lacking about you. Sell all the things you have and distribute to poor people, and you will have treasure in the heavens. Then come, be my follower. (Luke 18:22)
- He then answered, that the vineyard owner would come to destroy those cultivators, and then give the vineyard to others. On hearing this they answered; Never may that happen! They said this, for the Jewish religious leaders thought that God's undeserved kindness could be imposed upon endlessly, and there was simply no limit to his patience.
- He will come and destroy these cultivators and will give the vineyard to others. On hearing this they said; Never may that happen! (Luke 20:16)
- Now Pilate was looking for a way to get this matter off his plate, so upon hearing this, he asked if Jesus was in fact a Galilean.
- On hearing that, Pilate asked whether the man was a Galilean. (Luke 23:6)
- So the next day, the crowds in Jerusalem gathered together, for they had heard that Jesus was coming to the festival.
- The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival, on hearing that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. (John 12:12)
- Jesus then showed, that persons who did not observe his words, really did not love him. Also he was not the one saying this, but the Father who send him, was who said this.
- He that does not love me does not observe my words, and the word that you are hearing is not mine, but belongs to the Father who sent me. (John 14:24)

- Therefore when Pilate heard these words he brought Jesus outside and he sat down in a place called the stone pavement, on the judgment seat, to give his judgment.
- Therefore Pilate, after hearing these words, brought Jesus outside, and he sat down on a judgment seat in a place called The Stone Pavement, but, in Hebrew, Gabbatha. (John 19:13)
- So first realizing what was happening, John turned to Peter and told him that it was the Lord. Hence Simon Peter upon hearing that it was the Lord, girded about himself a top garment, and plunged into the sea.
- Therefore that disciple whom Jesus used to love said to Peter; It is the Lord! Hence Simon Peter, upon hearing that it was the Lord, girded about himself his top garment, for he was naked, and plunged into the sea. (John 21:7)
- So they wondered how it was, that they were hearing men who were Galileans speaking to them, in their native languages, the languages of their own home countries, where they had been born.
- And yet how is it we are hearing, each one of us, his own language in which we were born? (Acts of Apostles 2:8)
- So upon hearing what had happened, all the disciples with one accord raised their voices to Yehowah God in prayer. They said that since he was the one who made heaven and earth, and all the things in them, that he was the one they would listen to.
- Upon hearing this they with one accord raised their voices to God and said; Sovereign Lord, you are the One who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all the things in them. (Acts of Apostles 4:24)
- Well upon hearing these words Peter spoke to him, Ananias fell down dead at Peter's feet, and a great fear came over all those hearing of it.
- On hearing these words Ananias fell down and expired. And great fear came over all those hearing of it. (Acts of Apostles 5:5)
- So when the news of these things came to all the congregation, then great fear was realized by all those hearing about these things.

- Consequently great fear came over the whole congregation and over all those hearing about these things. (Acts of Apostles 5:11)
- So the very next day at daybreak after hearing this, they again entered into the temple, and began to teach there. So then, when the High Priest and members of the Sanhedrin arrived at their Sanhedrin Hall, they immediately sent out to the prison to have the apostles brought in before them.
- After hearing this, they entered into the temple at daybreak and began to teach. Now when the High Priest and those with him arrived, they called together the Sanhedrin and all the assembly of older men of the sons of Israel, and they sent out to the jail to have them brought. (Acts of Apostles 5:21)
- Well upon hearing Stephen's speech, they felt cut at their hearts, because they felt within themselves, that they were righteous men doing the will of God, but they were not, and Stephen's testimony to them brought out the very worst in them, and they began to gnash their teeth against him. Every word of what he had stated to them was true, yet they could not bear the pain of their reality.
- Well, at hearing these things they felt cut to their hearts and began to gnash their teeth at him. (Acts of Apostles 7:54)
- Now the other men in Paul's traveling party were also standing speechless at the sight of the light, and they were hearing the sound of a voice, but they could not behold a man, or any figure.
- Now the men that were journeying with him were standing speechless, hearing, indeed, the sound of a voice, but not beholding any man. (Acts of Apostles 9:7)
- Yet the Jews who were hearing Saul, also knowing who he was, gave way to astonishment, and they would ask questioningly, if this was not the same man who had come from Jerusalem to arrest Jesus' disciples, and who carried authority from the chief priests to do so.
- But all those hearing him gave way to astonishment and would say; Is this not the man that ravaged those in Jerusalem who call upon this name, and that had come here for this very purpose, that he might lead them bound to the chief priests? (Acts of Apostles 9:21)

- So while Peter was thus bearing witness, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those hearing him, and the fine witness that he was making before them. Yehowah God read the hearts of those listening to this message, and imparted his Holy Spirit to them also, though they were Gentiles, the first ones to come into the congregation of God.
- While Peter was yet speaking about these matters the Holy Spirit fell upon all those hearing the word. (Acts of Apostles 10:44)
- Then during the middle of the night, Paul and Silas were singing, and praying, and praising God, and all those within the prison were hearing them.
- But about the middle of the night Paul and Silas were praying and praising God with song, yes, the prisoners were hearing them. (Acts of Apostles 16:25)
- So upon hearing this they got baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- On hearing this, they got baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. (Acts of Apostles 19:5)
- So upon hearing this, they all became filled with anger and these men began to cry out; Great is Artemis of the Ephesians! This they did for about two hours, until the city was in an uproar.
- Hearing this and becoming full of anger, the men began crying out, saying; Great is Artemis of the Ephesians! (Acts of Apostles 19:28)
- So after hearing this, they all began to glorify God, while saying in warning to Paul, that there were many thousands of believers in the Law Covenant among the Jews there in Jerusalem, and they were all zealous for the Law.
- After hearing this they began to glorify God, and they said to him; You behold, brother, how many thousands of believers there are among the Jews, and they are all zealous for the Law. (Acts of Apostles 21:20)

- So he told Paul, that he would give Paul a thorough hearing when his accusers arrived, Then he commanded, that Paul be kept under guard in the praetorian palace of Herod.
- I shall give you a thorough hearing, he said; When your accusers arrive also. And he commanded that he be kept under guard in the praetorian palace of Herod. (Acts of Apostles 23:35)
- Isaiah had said, that God's people would indeed hear, but they would not understand, and they would look, but not see the importance of the matters discussed.
- Saying; Go to this people and say; By hearing, you will hear but by no means understand, and, looking, you will look but by no means see. (Acts of Apostles 28:26)
- If all the members of the body were the same, what useful function could the body do. Say they were all feet, then all that the body could do would be to walk around, and it could do nothing else. It could not hear or smell or see, nor work with its hands. The point of this illustration is that we need different capabilities within the body to be really effective in life.
- If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If it were all hearing, where would the smelling be? (1 Corinthians 12:17)
- So Paul now asks them; Did they themselves receive the spirit due to works performed under the Law Covenant? Certainly not, for they were not even Jews. It was by a hearing by faith, that they were brought into a spiritual relationship to Yehowah God through the death of his son, and through their faith in his power to resurrect. Then they received the Holy Spirit, to show them, that they were now approved of God, and on the road to life.
- This alone I want to learn from you. Did you receive the spirit due to works of Law or due to a hearing by faith? (Galatians 3:2)
- Now Paul asks about Yehowah God, who supplies them with his Holy Spirit, and who through it performs powerful works among them, does this spirit come forth to them through works of Law, or due to a hearing by faith.
- He, therefore, who supplies you the spirit and performs powerful

works among you, does he do it owing to works of Law or owing to a hearing by faith? (Galatians 3:5)

- Paul has heard many reports from others, about how his faith and love toward Jesus Christ and toward all the holy ones keeps on growing.
- As I keep hearing of your love and faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the holy ones. (Philemon 1:5)
- Paul now shows, that concerning this one, the Christ, he has much to relate to them, but it is hard for him to do so, because they have become hard of hearing, respecting the truth.
- Concerning him we have much to say and hard to be explained, since you have become dull in your hearing. (Hebrews 5:11)
- Nor can they hear the loud piercing blast of a trumpet, and the voice, that spoke to them the words in terribleness. For the voice which they heard, inspired fear among them, so that upon hearing it, they begged for it to stop, and for it to be heard only by Moses. They could not bear it.
- And the blare of a trumpet and the voice of words, on hearing which voice the people implored that no word should be added to them. (Hebrews 12:19)
- James now offers counsel to all anointed Christians. Men need to develop the kind of patience that Yehowah God has. They need to be quick to hear, slow to speak, and they need to keep themselves restrained in situations bringing one to wrath or anger. The Holy Spirit given to anointed Christians will help them to develop these fine qualities.
- Know this, my beloved brothers. Every man must be swift about hearing, slow about speaking, slow about wrath. (James 1:19)
- John then shows that his greatest cause for thankfulness to his God, is in hearing that those to whom he has preached the Good News of God, are indeed standing firm for the faith, that has been delivered to them, by faithful ones like John, for they are his spiritual children in the truth.
- No greater cause for thankfulness do I have than these things,

that I should be hearing that my children go on walking in the truth. (3 John 1:4)

- Upon hearing this witness John fell down to worship before the angel telling him these things, but was told not to do so.
- Well, I John was the one hearing and seeing these things. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel that had been showing me these things. (Revelation 22:8)
- Yehowah's Holy Spirit speaking through his bride class says come! Partake of the crystal clear waters of truth. If you clearly hear this delightful call then you also must join in the chorus and say loudly; Come! Also to anyone who is thirsting and hungering for the truth, the open invitation is to; Come! The truth is not for sale by some harlot and her traveling merchants, but this life-giving water of truth is free to all and is available to all lovers of truth, therefore come!
- And the spirit and the bride keep on saying; Come! And let anyone hearing say; Come! And let anyone thirsting come, let anyone that wishes take lifes water free. (Revelation 22:17)

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