

## ~LISTENS (105)

[English, pays attention, accepts counsel, eavesdrops, takes note, listens in, snoops]

- Jesus next shows how to handle faults, which we all experience in our dealings with one another. When a problem occurs we should go in secret to our brother that has offended us, and lay bare his fault before him alone. Then, if our brother **listens** to this fine, loving counsel to change, we have gained our brother, and thus we are acting like our heavenly father, seeking to gain that which was lost, and return it securely to the sheepfold.
- Moreover, if your brother commits a sin, go lay bare his fault between you and him alone. If he **listens** to you, you have gained your brother. (**Matthew 18:15**)
- So Jesus showed, how authority flowed through them. Anyone who **listened** to them, was also **listening** to Jesus, and his God Yehowah. Also, anyone who would disregard them, was also disregarding Christ, and his God Yehowah.
- He that **listens** to you listens to me too. And he that disregards you disregards me too. Moreover, he that disregards me disregards also him that sent me forth. (**Luke 10:16**)
- So Jesus told them a simple truth, that all those who are from God **listen** to the sayings of God. Then he concluded that this was why they did not listen, for they were not from God.
- He that is from God **listens** to the sayings of God. This is why you do not listen, because you are not from God. (**John 8:47**)
- So the man stated, that even he knew that God does not **listen** to sinners, but if anyone is god-fearing and does God's will, this one he **listens** to.
- We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is God-fearing and does his will, he **listens** to this one. (**John 9:31**)
- So Pilate then asked him if he was a king. However Jesus answered, that Pilate and others, were the ones saying that he was a king, inferring, that he himself was not making such a claim. Yet he

also showed Pilate, that the reason he had come into this world was that he should bear witness to the truth. Then he told Pilate, that everyone who is on the side of the truth, **listens** to his voice.

- Therefore Pilate said to him; Well, then, are you a king? Jesus answered; You yourself are saying that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone that is on the side of the truth **listens** to my voice. (**John 18:37**)
- Paul now states, that he who speaks in a tongue speaks, not to men but to God, for no one else **listens**, or can interpret what he is saying, but he speaks sacred secrets by the spirit.
- For he that speaks in a tongue speaks, not to men, but to God, for no one **listens**, but he speaks sacred secrets by the spirit. (**1 Corinthians 14:2**)
- Because such deceivers originate with the world, they speak the things that the world likes to hear, and so they become popular and widespread like Christendom has become, and the world **listens** to them for they are worldly.
- They originate with the world, that is why they speak what proceeds from the world and the world **listens** to them. (**1 John 4:5**)
- Anointed Christians originate from God. No man is ever anointed because of his association with any religious organization on earth or through the auspices of men in authority, it comes from God through the Holy Spirit, and according to his will and choice.
- Men who come from God **listen** to the word of truth that we as anointed Christians speak. Likewise those of the world who acquire teachers for themselves do not **listen** to us, saying that we lack the credentials, but our being adequately qualified to carry a clean message of truth emanates from Yehowah God himself, through his Holy Spirit.
- Speak the truth, and then watch to see who **listens** to you, and you will be then able to discern who speaks inspired expressions of truth and expressions of falsehood.

- **We originate with God. He that gains the knowledge of God listens to us, he that does not originate with God does not listen to us. This is how we take note of the inspired expression of truth and the inspired expression of error. (1 John 4:6)**