Prayer*

Lord, thank You that You still speak today. Thank You for Your promise that I can hear Your voice. Thank You that You love to speak to me and that You are always speaking. Lord, continue to train me to hear Your voice, to be sensitive to Your Spirit and how You are speaking to me. Lord, by Your Spirit continue to create in me a hunger to hear Your voice and recognize when You speak. In Jesus's Name. Amen.

Decree*

Hear I am, Lord! I'm listening! I am available! I decree in Jesus' name that I am positioned to hear, and I decree that as I continue to encounter You and Your Heart I begin to hear and see more clearly.

Listening to God-Week 4

Excerpts from Chapter 2B of 'The Prophetic Voice of God' by Lana Vawser

I started to experience this "whisper" more and more. I would be sitting in my living room and the house phone would ring. From across the room I would hear this whisper: 'Lana, it's your mum,' and I would pick up the phone and be greeted with my mum's voice.

Somewhere along the journey, the fear started to increase more and more. What if it's not God? What if the next time I hear something it will be bad?

Confusion had set in.

I booked myself into a conference, and at the end of a session I went up and spoke to the pastor. He looked at me with compassion and love, and smiled and said to me, 'Well, I'd say then that the Lord is training you to hear His voice; keep asking Him to speak'.

Instantly, a peace came over me like a blanket.

I wasn't hearing an 'audible' voice, but the whisper was so loud within me it may as well have been audible.

But God is a God who is passionately in love with us and wanting to communicate with us. He is the God who will speak to us in ways that we haven't ever thought of or experienced. Rather than freaking out, we must respond like Samuel: 'Lord, is that You? Here I am; Your servant is listening.'

You may have an Eli who shows up to help you for only one step of your journey, or you may have an Eli who walks with you all the way through your journey. The Lord will bring the right people at the right time to help you along in your journey.

What are You dreaming about today, Jesus? What do You want to say to me today?'

Listening Time

These 30 minutes are 'You and Him' time with Jesus. If you are good at being still and listening, do that. Otherwise read through some of these scripture quotations from Chapter 2, and if something tugs at your heart, spend time pondering that scripture. Or do a bit of both, and repeat as often as needed. It might take many times to learn to slow down and be attentive to Jesus, so be expectant and patient.

If anyone has ears to hear, let him listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. Rev 3:22

> But happy are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! Matthew 13:16

When the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Here I am'. Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me'. Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down'. So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me'. He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down'. Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again, the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me'. Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, 'Speak, Lord, Your servant is listening'. So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, calling as He had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, Your servant is listening'. 1 Sam 3:4-10

Do not let a Word of His fall to the ground. Record it, ponder it, ask Him to reveal more about it. Act on it.