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WEEK 32 · 2026

2026 THEME
Transformed to Bear Much Fruit

THIS WEEK'S STUDY

Becoming Like Jesus

Hear Him

John 10:27 · Romans 8:29 · Revelation 3:20 · Ephesians 3:18–20

I Introduction

God's primary calling for us is not merely to do something for Him, but to become like Jesus. Romans 8:29 says that God chose His people to become like His Son. Becoming like Jesus happens through a living relationship with God, in which we learn to hear Him and follow Him.

God does not want us merely to know things about Him. Like a loving Father with His children, He wants a real relationship in which we communicate with Him. Jesus promised not to leave us as orphans. Through the Holy Spirit, God can be with every believer, everywhere, all the time, and He lives within us. The Holy Spirit therefore has a vital place in our relationship with God and in helping us know and follow Him.

II How God Speaks

God communicates with us first and most importantly through the **Bible**. Scripture gives us an objective standard for knowing God and helps us recognize His voice and distinguish it from the many other voices around us. God also guides us through:

- thoughts and impressions;
- prayer and circumstances;
- other believers in the church.

> ONE DAY AT A TIME
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> *We do not need to know our entire future; we need to know the Spirit and follow Him one day at a time.*

III Willing to Hear

Hearing God is not only about learning how He speaks; it is also about whether we are willing to hear whatever He says. Sometimes God tells us something we do not want to hear. If we obey only when it is something we already want to do, that is not really obedience. **We cannot hear God if our intention is to "control" what He says to us.**

IV Discussion Questions

1. When you think about God's calling, do you focus more on what God wants you to **do** or who He wants you to **become**? What does Romans 8:29 teach us about God's purpose for our lives?
2. In what ways have you experienced God communicating with you: through Scripture, thoughts or impressions, prayer, circumstances, or another believer? How does the Holy Spirit help us in this relationship?
3. How can we distinguish God's voice from our own thoughts and desires, culture, friends, or social media? Why is Scripture important in recognizing God's voice?
4. Have you ever sensed God telling you something you did not want to hear? What did you do? What does this teach us about the connection between hearing God and obedience?
5. What might the Holy Spirit already be saying to you today? What would it mean to listen, respond, and follow Him rather than trying to control the outcome?

MEMORY VERSE

My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me.

JOHN 10:27

✷ ACTION POINT

Take several quiet minutes each day this week to invite God to speak. Ask, "What is one thing You want me to do today in response?" or "What would really help my spiritual growth?" Listen without pressure, write down what you sense, let Scripture and the Holy Spirit guide your response, then take one practical step of obedience.

Conclusion

Jesus wants a real friendship and an extraordinary life with us. He takes the initiative, but we must open the door. Revelation 3:20 reminds us that when we hear His voice and open the door, He comes in and shares a relationship with us as friends. God wants us to hear Him, follow Him, and become more like Jesus. As we learn to know the Holy Spirit, listen to His leading, remain grounded in Scripture, and respond with obedience, we grow into the people God has called us to become.