

Week Five: An Ear To Hear: Will We Live Off Of His Intercession In Repentance?

I. Made In His Image With An Ear To Hear And A Heart To Follow.

A. Remember from week 2 some of the words that describe God making us living beings?

1. **Gen 2:7** I can see the full capacity of God's call and equipping of man
 - a. Everything we needed was received in that moment.
 - i. We are an AM radio.
 - b. Over time the Father has sought to reveal the meaning.
 - c. To those who will listen as if to hear
2. This breath is in **ALL** people and always has been in **ALL** people. [It is the breath of Christ]

Gen 2:7 Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the **breath [h5397]** of life; and man became a living being.

h5397 nesh-aw-maw'; from **[h5395]**; a puff, i.e. wind, **angry or vital breath, divine inspiration, intellect, soul, spirit.**

h5395 naw-sham'; a primitive root; properly, **to blow away — destroy.** to pant, of a woman in travail or labour.

Deut 30:6

The Lord your God will circumcise **[h4135]** your hearts and the hearts of your descendants, **SO that you may love him** with all your heart and with all your soul, and live.

[h4135] mûl; a primitive root; to cut short, figuratively, **to destroy:** — cut, be cut off, of destruction (fig.)

B. Why is God Using Words That Seem To Be Contradictory?

1. Is this existence just a philosophical paradox as other religious philosophies contend?
 - a. Is God confirming that we need some form of Ying and Yang balance?
 - b. Is He exposing the Ecclesiastes meaninglessness and vanity?
2. That breath in Gen. is: **A puff — wind. Angry or vital breath, divine inspiration, intellect, soul, spirit.**
 - a. **To blow away — destroy. To pant, of a woman in travail or labour**
3. Circumcise in Deut. is: **to cut short, figuratively, to destroy:** — cut, be cut off, of destruction (fig.)
4. Why are the words that describe what He has placed in us or done in us speaking of Destruction, or a woman in travail of labor at the same time He is saying it's our divine inspiration, life and opportunity to love Him?
5. I would contend that the paradoxal, Ying and Yang "balance" we could perceive are lies born of the TOTKOGAE.
 - a. If we observe these definitions in light of Good and Evil we won't see, we won't understand.
6. To understand, Jesus Christ must be applied to an **Angry or vital breath, divine inspiration, intellect, soul, spirit.** designed to **blow away and cause us to pant and be in travail as a woman in labor.**

Deut 30:11-14 "For this commandment which I command you today is not too difficult for you, nor is it out of reach. 12 It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us to get it for us and make us hear it, that we may observe it?' 13 Nor is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross the sea for us to get it for us and make us hear it, that we may observe it?' 14 But the word is very near you, in your mouth and in your heart, that you may observe **[h6213** accomplish, advance, become, bring forth, have the charge of, do, follow, requite (return), x sacrifice, yield] it.

7. Is He speaking prophetically of His intercession to come?
 - a. Or is He speaking of His image we formed in?
 - b. Yes.

Mat 11:29-30 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

8. His word is present in us, to lead and guide us to Him and His will.
 - a. It requires An Ear To Hear.

C. The Intercession Of God Comes In To Us

1. It appears as if this has always been.
2. In light of a woman in labor something that might cause us to pant as a deer.

Rom 8:26-27 In the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we should, *but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words*; 27 and He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

D. So Paul Goes New Age?

Acts 17:23 I also found an altar with this inscription, ‘TO AN UNKNOWN GOD.’ 24 The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands; 25 nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all people life and breath and all things; 26 and He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation, 27 that they would seek [g2212] God, if perhaps they might grope [feel after] for Him and find Him, though He is not far [at a distance] from [off or away (from something near)] each one of us; 28 for in Him we live and move and exist [to happen, to be present], as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we also are His children.’ 29 Being then the children of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and thought of man. 30 Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should repent, 31 because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead.”

1. How could this be true for a people who had yet to understand or believe?
 - a. I believe the TOTKOGAE mindset blinds us to the life and death, the blessing and the curse set before us.
 - b. That fruit causes us to forsake enquiring after God.
 - c. Masks understanding with religious thinking.

[g2212] zēteō be (go) about, desire, endeavor, enquire (for), require, (x will) seek (after, for, means).

Same as **Matt 7:7**

Deut 30:19-20 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set [h5414 similar to h6213 above] appoint, ascribe, assign, bring forth, charge, do, requite (return), utter, + weep, + willingly, + withdraw, + would (to) God, yield.] before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. So choose life in order that you may live, you and your descendants, 20 by loving the Lord your God, by obeying His voice, and by holding fast to Him; for this is your life and the length of your days, that you may live in the land which the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them.”

2. Notice how it doesn't say life OR death, the blessing OR the curse?
 - a. Both are before us
 - b. Spirit and flesh and mostly required... the spirit.

3. Notice it's not the Tree Of The Knowledge Of Good OR Evil?
 - a. but that's how we view it.
 - b. one or the other
 - i. And we believe we can figure it out.

Luke 13:1 Now on the same occasion there were some present who reported to Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. 2 And Jesus said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were greater sinners than all other Galileans because they suffered this fate? 3 I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. 4 Or do you suppose that those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them were worse culprits than all the men who live in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."

- ii. Nebuchadnezzar?
4. It's both, but we are to chose the Tree of Life, not the TOTKOGAE.
 - a. His breath of life, that wind, that angry vital divinely inspired destroying breath of God.
5. God placed a destroying wind in us, the vital breath to blow away the chaff of this world through His divine inspiration. He cut our hearts with a circumcision to unheart us from this world, so that we may love Him.
 - b. Beginning to see something here?

E. Continuing To Pound on Romans 3:11?

1. To prove that none of this is initiated by us:
 - a. it is gifted to us without finding fault.
 - b. it is gifted to us without consideration of our merrits
 - c. God is not a respecter of persons.

Romans 3:11 says, There is none who understands [g4920], There is none who seeks [g1567a] for God.

[g1567a] ekzētēsis ([g1537] + [g2212])

[g1537] ek; or ex; **a primary preposition denoting origin (the point whence action or motion proceeds), from, out (of place, time, or cause; literal or figurative; direct or remote) out of, from, by, away from**

[g2212] zēteō be (go) about, desire, endeavor, enquire (for), require, (x will) seek (after, for, means).

1 Cor 4:7 What do you have that you did not receive?
And if you did receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?

II. Jesus Walked In Repentance. [Hard to get our heads around]

A. Given the denotations and connotations we've been given... we can't hear that.

1. Blinded by the TOTKOGAE
2. Repentance is for bad people...
 - a. sinners... people who need to feel bad about their deeds.
 - b What is he talking about?
 - c The man has lost His mind.

B. Made In His Image, To Do As He Did [with after behind / heeding!]

1. Perfect unity as He affirmed and prayed we'd receive in John 17

C. Jesus said 6 times specifically that He and the Holy Spirit don't operate under their own initiative.

John 5:30 "I can do nothing on My own initiative. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

John 7:16 So Jesus answered them and said, "My teaching is not Mine, but His who sent Me.

1. They have both heeded their initiative, With After and Behind what they hear.

2. They both follow the lead of another.

a. Of the Father for Jesus

i. **John 14:10 / John 14:30 / John 8:42 / John 12:49-50**

b. The Holy Spirit has no specified "leader".

i. **John 16:13**

c. Jesus also followed the Holy Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted [g3985]. **Matt**

4:1

i. to test (objectively [in a way that is not influenced by personal feelings or opinions]), endeavor, scrutinize, entice, discipline: — assay, examine, go about, prove, tempt(-er), try.

d. The Holy Spirit was sent to us by the Father. **John 14:16** I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; 17 that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.

e. ...and Jesus

i. **John 16:7** But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

ii. **John 15:26** "When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds [g1607] from the Father, He will testify about Me...

3. So whether it was heard before or heard in that moment Jesus said:

"It is written, 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word (g4487 rhēma) that proceeds [g1607] out of the mouth of God.'" **Matt 4:4**

4. After this temptation in the wilderness He said this in **Luke 12:11-12** When they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not worry about how or what you are to speak in your defense, or what you are to say; 12 for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say."

5. Could we say in **Matt 4:4** He was repeating the words of The Father that He was hearing right then?

6. Even Moses got a foretaste of what is available to us at every moment right now.

Ex 4:11-12 The Lord said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes him mute or deaf, or seeing or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? 12 **Now then go, and I, even I, will be with your mouth, and teach you what you are to say. [Deut 30:11-14]** 7. The word of His power is upholding ALL things **Heb 1:3**

b. That power is at work in us in He who is able to do far more abundantly "beyond" all that we ask or think. **Eph 3:20**

8. I believe every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God is the intercession of God.

D. Everything Jesus Asked Of Us He Did.

1. If that were not so He would be a hypocrite.

John 14:12 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater works than these he will do; because I go to the Father.

Matt 23:1 Then Jesus spoke to the crowds and to His disciples, 2 saying: "The scribes and the Pharisees have seated themselves in the chair of Moses; 3 therefore all that they tell you, do and observe, but do not do according to their deeds; for they say things and do not do them.

Matt 8:5 And when Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, imploring Him, 6 and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, fearfully tormented." 7 Jesus *said to him, "I will come and heal him." 8 But the centurion said, "Lord, I am not worthy for You to come under my roof, but just say the word [g3056 Logos], and my servant will be healed. 9 For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to this one, 'Go!' and he goes, and

to another, 'Come!' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this!' and he does it." 10 Now when Jesus heard this, He marveled and said to those who were following, "Truly I say to you, I have not found such great faith with anyone in Israel.

III. Why Do We Repent?

A. Simply:

1. Repentance is the response to the stimulus of His voice.
 - a. The word of life that is embedded in His intercession being heard.
 - a. Repentance completes the circuit, electricity to bulb.
2. He is the source of power through His intercession.
 - a. Repentance is reception of the invitation to enter into His Unity through His intercession.
 - b. The Word of Life He is speaking right now.
3. Repentance is for the Kingdom that is at hand.
4. Repentance was offered to us by Jesus.
 - a. Because He wanted us to receive the word of life.

B. Sergeant Schultz

I don't know anything other than what He reveals to me through the leading of His intercession, listening in prayer and studying what He shows me in the Bible. As I've followed with, after and behind His voice of intercession, The word He speaks to my spirit, I have received His understanding, because He has led me to ponder, consider and heed the words He speaks, before any other words or voices heard. His voice to my heart makes me aware of His yearning and great desire for my embrace of what He says. It was in repentance that He led me to dig into the roots of the words intercession and repentance. Initiated by His voice, with after and behind the Spirit of TRUTH, I was led to ponder consider and heed what He was saying, what He was revealing.

1. From the beginning Repentance has always been our needed response to the voice of the Living God.
 - a. Just ask Adam [but that's a whole other story]
2. Without Repentance as I have led to describe
 - a. Who here realizes the narrow road to the small gate could never be walked out?
 - b. That there is no power over sin unless we are following with after and behind His leading voice?

If, whosoever will accept the treasure of His voice and what He speaks to us through His intercession, repentance is the God ordained childlike response to the beauty of His words and the treasure in His voice that brings transformation.

No anger, no vile shame or mustering your guilt with a promise to do better next time.

John 15:3 You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

His intercession calls us to lay down what we think is our life in repentance and follow with after and behind His.

To understand, Jesus Christ must be applied to an Angry or vital breath, divine inspiration, intellect, soul, spirit. designed to blow away and cause us to pant and be in travail as a woman in labor in this dark world.

Mat 16:25 For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

Mark 8:35 For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it.

Luke 17:33 Whoever seeks to keep his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it.

John 10:17 For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life so that I may take it again. 18 No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father.”

John 12:25 He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it to life eternal. 26 If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also; if anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.

John 16:13 But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.

I Live Off Of His Intercession In Repentance

May we all have Ears To Hear