

Hearing 13

Purpose of the Elders Discipleship Group: To Train and Equip Discipleship Group leaders to lead more effectively.

Key Theme: Hearing.

Key Truth: Not being able to stop speaking what we have seen and heard.

Key Scripture: Acts 4:19-20 But Peter and John answered and said to them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge; for we cannot stop speaking about what we have seen and heard."

As we draw this resource of hearing to an end, these last 2 verses are an excellent way to test us as to whether we cannot stop speaking about what we have seen and heard. Peter and John through the baptism of the Holy Spirit and power, are now reflecting the life of Christ within them and have also come into a measure of revelation from God's living Word and they are declaring into the earth all that they have seen and heard.

The key words from these verses are "for we cannot stop speaking about what we have seen and heard."

The revelation of God's Word causes us to come alive inside and out and our response to these revelations is one of passion, purpose and a greater pursuit of the more than life. It's impossible to keep quiet and contain oneself when God reveals what's hidden in Him for us. The man Jesus healed and set free from the "Legion" of demons begged to go with Jesus after he had been healed and set free to live the life he was created for.

Peter, who Jesus said had little faith, is now a man full of faith and where he once had no revelation and understanding of what was written beforehand, finds himself now being a voice to what was already written by the prophets, even in the face of harsh opposition. He has and is becoming to others what Jesus was to him.

These are two very different contrasting pictures of a man who couldn't see and hear pretty much most of what Jesus told him, to a man who is declaring what he now knows because of seeing and hearing the living scriptures through the power of revelation of the Spirit. What does this look like for us? What are the new things we have seen (vision) and heard since being in this discipleship environment? What are the new revelations we have received which we can't stop speaking about?

Questions:

- 1. What are the new things we have seen (vision) and heard since being in this discipleship environment?
- 2. How have these revelations changed and empowered you to live differently?
- 3. What have you been awakened to in the Spirit since receiving these revelations?
- 4. If we haven't heard or seen anything new, this doesn't mean we are not loved by God or in His family, but what do we need to start doing so we start seeing and hearing all that God has for us?

Action point: What are you being made aware of through this resource and is there one thing you need to put in place from going through this resource?