

# LISTENING TO GOD

*Text: 1 Samuel 3.1-10*

## I. **Consecrate** yourself to the Lord – v. 1

Becoming a Christian is like a marriage commitment

In what ways have you consecrated yourself (set yourself apart) for the Lord?

How could you do so to a greater degree? What might you be willing to commit to beginning today?

## II. Place yourself in the Lord's **Presence** – vv. 2-3

Literally - Physical surroundings

Though your Time & Attention (*especially in prayer*)

By reading Scripture

When, where or with whom have you felt most in the Lord's presence? What were you doing at the time?

What is your soul currently feeding on (mind – will – emotions)?

## III. Seek **Guidance** – vv. 4-9

None of us have perfect judgment

Who has been the voice of God for you in your life? Who has given you the truest counsel?

## IV. Be **open** - to hear and **obey** – v. 10

Expect God to speak to you

Be completely obedient

Can you think of an instance where you were obedient to the Lord in a very small thing, and that proved to be an unexpected blessing? How about in a very significant thing?