

## QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time when you needed to talk and someone demonstrated empathy and compassion toward you by genuinely listening to you.
  
2. Describe the characteristics a good listener should possess.
  
3. Read the following passages and note what the Bible says about Listening:
  - a) Proverbs 18:2
  - b) Proverbs 19:20
  - c) Proverbs 19:27
  - d) Proverbs 25:12
  - e) Romans 10:17
  - f) James 1:19
  - g) Revelation 3:20
  
4. How did Jesus respond when He heard that His mother and brothers had come to see Him? What did He mean by His response?
  
5. What practical application are you going to make from this week's message? (*Share your decision with another person.*)
  - I am going to sit down with someone who needs to talk, and I am going to listen to them without interrupting them.
  - I am going to take a walk this week and spend the last half of my prayer time listening to God instead of making requests.
  - I am going to memorize Revelation 3:20.

Cornerstone Church  
Luke 8:16-21

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Study Series #035

## ***How are You Listening?***

### **I. Introduction**

A. Franklin Roosevelt's Experiment

B. The Work of Listening to Others

(See Proverbs 18:2; Proverbs 18:13)

C. How are We Listening?

(See Luke 8:18; Luke 8:4-15)

### **II. Various Types of Listeners**

A. The Practical Listener

(See Luke 8:16; Mark 4:21; Luke 11:33; Matthew 5:15;  
I Peter 2:9; John 9:5; Matthew 5:14; Romans 1:8;  
Romans 16:19; I Thessalonians 1:8)

## B. The Genuine Listener

(See Luke 8:17; Mark 4:22; Luke 12:2; Numbers 32:23; Ecclesiastes 12:14; Romans 2:16; I Corinthians 4:5; Luke 12:1-2; Revelation 2:23; Proverbs 21:2; I Thessalonians 2:4; I Samuel 16:7; Matthew 23:28; Matthew 5:3)

## C. The Maturing Listener

(See Luke 8:18; Mark 4:23-25; Matthew 13:8; Mark 4:20; John 3:7-8; Galatians 5:22-23; Colossians 1:10; Romans 1:13)

## D. The Obedient Listener

(See Luke 8:19-21; John 2:12; Acts 1:14; Matthew 13:55-56; Colossians 4:10; Mark 3:20-21; John 19:26; Luke 11:28; Mark 3:21)

## III. Conclusion

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please see the pastor after the service and he or one of our church leaders will be glad to speak with you.

## Passage of Study

Luke 8:16-21

<sup>16</sup>“Now no one after lighting a lamp covers it over with a container or puts it under a bed; but he puts it on a lampstand, so that those who come in may see the light. <sup>17</sup>For nothing is hidden that will not become evident, nor *anything* secret that will not be known and come to light. <sup>18</sup>So take care how you listen; for whoever has, to him *more* shall be given; and whoever does not have, even what he thinks he has shall be taken away from him.”

<sup>19</sup>And His mother and brothers came to Him, and they were unable to get to Him because of the crowd. <sup>20</sup>And it was reported to Him, “Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside, wishing to see You.” <sup>21</sup>But He answered and said to them, “My mother and My brothers are these who hear the word of God and do it.”

## Parallel Passage of Study

Mark 4:21-25

<sup>21</sup>And He was saying to them, “A lamp is not brought to be put under a basket, is it, or under a bed? Is it not *brought* to be put on the lampstand? <sup>22</sup>For nothing is hidden, except to be revealed; nor has *anything* been secret, but that it would come to light. <sup>23</sup>If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear.” <sup>24</sup>And He was saying to them, “Take care what you listen to. By your standard of measure it will be measured to you; and more will be given you besides. <sup>25</sup>For whoever has, to him *more* shall be given; and whoever does not have, even what he has shall be taken away from him.”

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