



Listening or Hearing?

- ✿ Hearing: The faculty of receiving sounds.
- ✿ *akróasi*: hearing, faculty of hearing
- ✿ Listening: give one's attention to sound.
- ✿ *aboúte*: I hear, Listen, Comprehend

- ✿ *Hearing is simply the act of perceiving sound by the ear. If you are not hearing-impaired, hearing simply happens.*
- ✿ *Listening, however, is something you consciously choose to do. Listening leads to learning.*

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- ✦ *“You heard me but you weren’t listening”*
- ✦ *Hearing a teacher and listening to a teacher could be the difference between passing and failing.*
- ✦ *Hearing a boss and listening to a boss could be the difference from having a job and not having one.*

The Fall of Man

- ✦ *Genesis 3:1-3*
- ✦ *v.3 “You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.”*
- ✦ *Eve heard what God Said, she just didn't listen to him.*

Jonah Doesn't hear God

- ✿ *Jonah 1:4; 17; 3:1-3*
- ✿ *Jonah listened to God but he didn't hear him*
- ✿ *Jonah 1:17 And the Lord appointed a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.*

Conversion of Saul

- ✦ *Acts 9:1-9*
- ✦ *Saul listened to what Jesus said and followed his directions*
- ✦ *v. 15 “... He is a chosen instrument of mine...”*
- ✦ *Paul went on to proclaim God’s word and author many of the new testament texts.*

Noah and the Flood

- ✦ *Genesis 6: 11-14*
- ✦ *Noah listened to God when he told him to build an ark.*
- ✦ *Since Noah listened to God, He and his family were saved from the flood.*

Peters Sermon at Pentecost

- ✦ *Acts 2:14; 40-47*
- ✦ *v.14 “and give ear to my words”*
- ✦ *v.41 “So those who received his word were baptized”*
- ✦ *They didn’t just hear what Peter said, they listened.*

*Listening to God and Hearing God
could be the difference of where you
spend eternity*