

Did You Hear what Was Preached Last Week?

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Introduction

1. Luke 8:18 (how) Mark 4:21-24 (What)
2. The Bible stresses how important it is to hear. Revelation 2:7,11,17,29; 3:6,13,22
 - a. Hearing is personal and individual involving acceptance and compliance. Each is to hear what is said to all the churches
 - b. All seven churches are to hear, he that hath an ear Matthew 11:15 states it as ears
3. Someone has said that Young's Concordance has 1,550 references to hearing
4. Are we listening and if so how are we listening
5. Let us study this subject together

II Discussion

1. We must remember that when we read God's Book it is His talking to us
 - a. God has spoken to us through His Son Hebrews 1:1-3; Matthew 17:5
 - b. The men that wrote the Bible were guided by the Holy Spirit John 14:26; 15:26; 16:13; 2 Timothy 3:16
 - c. It is through preaching that the Gospel is spread 1 Corinthians 1:21; Romans 10:13-17; Mark 16:15-16
 - d. Are we listening to what God says? Acts 10:33
 - i. There is a readiness to listen
 - ii. There is a reverence in their listening
 - iii. There is a resolve in their listening
 - iv. There is a response in their listening
 - v. What about your listening?
2. What is our response to God's Word?
 - a. Some trembled Acts 7:32; Hebrews 12:21
 - b. Some will not obey God's commands Ezekiel 33:30-33; Jeremiah 6:16; Proverbs 5:12-13
 - c. Some stopped their ears Acts 7:57
 - d. Some have dulled their hearing Acts 28:27
 - e. Some are forgetful hearers James 1:21-25
 - f. Some are itching ear hearers 2 Timothy 4:3-4
 - g. We ought to give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard Hebrews 2:1-3
 - h. We ought to be doing what God has said Matthew 7:24-27
 - i. What is your response to the Gospel?
3. What will be your reward?
 - a. If a person does not respond favorably he will be lost 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9
 - b. If a person does obey God's Word he will be blessed James 1:25
 - c. If a person obeys then he will be happy John 13:17
 - d. If a person is a doer he will be justified Romans 2:13
 - e. If a person is a doer of the will of God he will abide forever 2 John 2:17
 - f. If you want to have the right to the tree of life and enter into the city then be a doer of the commandments of God! Revelation 22:14

Sources: Certainty about Christ Sermon outlines from Luke by Tom Holland; The Gospel is for all 1985 lecture of the Shelby Street in Indianapolis IN. Sermon preached in 2002; Thompson chain reference Bible; Homer Haily commentary on Revelation