

# **We'd Better Listen to Him!**

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Listening is something that most children will have some difficulty with at some time in life. Whether it's little children, grown up children, or even God's children, it's such a problem that our God had to repeat it seven times in the New Testament to the disciples! "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased, Listen to Him." Mathews 3:17, 17:05, Mark 1:11, 9:07, Luke 3:22, 9:35 and its repeated in second Peter 2:17.

When God the Father from His open heavens called Jesus Christ as His beloved Son in whom He was well pleased, everybody would listen right? Not so! The disciples struggled with listening to Him even after they heard the audible voice of the father, and I believe that many of us today struggle in the same manner. Why? According to Luke 9:45 "But they understood not this saying, and it was hid from them... they perceived it not." Luke 18:34 "And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken."

Why were these things hidden? Because they had a different mindset about the things of the kingdom. They were thinking about earthly kingdom. They asked Jesus: “Is this the time you’re going to restore the kingdom of Israel?” Well, God had something much greater in mind! Today the difficulty we face in listening to “His Beloved Son” is because we have the same different views of life and the things of God as they did. Just like the disciples, we will do better if we listen to Him. “He has the Words of eternal life” and is “seated at the right hand of God.” All things have been made for Him and by Him. That my friends should be enough to cause us to listen to Him!

May our ears be attentive to what He is saying today!

In Him,

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