

## God Speaks

1. My sheep hear my voice and follow me. John 10:27
2. God Speaks to:
  - a. Those who pray and serve: Zechariah Luke 1:18-20
  - b. Zachariah was faithful to the Lord in spite of the fact his wife was barren
  - c. He prayed ( your prayers are heard v 13)
  - d. He struggled with doubt
  - e. Do not speak your faith away. The consequence was his reminder that God had spoken.
  - f. He still received the promise but with a consequence
3. Those who are available: Mary
  - a. God doesn't want your ability, he wants your availability.
  - b. The difference between a question and doubt.
  - c. Be it unto me according to your word
4. Those who are just (not legalistic): Joseph Matthew 1:18-21
  - a. Character attracts the attention of God: Micah 6:8 Do Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly
5. Those who are watching. Matthew 2:1-2
  - a. They were pagan astrologers, but only a few recognized the signs of the times
  - b. Moses had to turn aside to see the burning bush. Sometimes you have to go off the beaten path to find God.
  - c. Watch and pray, Mark 13:33, Luke 21:36
6. Those who tend the sheep: Shepherds Luke 2:8-10
7. Those who are waiting: Simeon Luke 2:25-28
  - a. They that wait on the Lord Isaiah 40:31
  - b. Simeon was standing on his previous word.
8. Those who are faithful: Anna Luke 2:36-38