

Hearing vs. Listening

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Proverbs 19:20

Christian Standard Bible

²⁰ Listen to counsel and receive instruction so that you may be wise later in life.^[a]

Romans 10:17-19

¹⁷ So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the message about Christ.^[a] ¹⁸ But I ask, “Did they not hear?” Yes, they did:

**Their voice has gone out to the whole earth,
and their words to the ends of the world.^[b]**

¹⁹ But I ask, “Did Israel not understand?” First, Moses said,

**I will make you jealous
of those who are not a nation;
I will make you angry by a nation
that lacks understanding.^[c]**

Psalms 119:11

¹¹ I have treasured your word in my heart so that I may not sin against you.

Psalms 37:31

³¹ The instruction of his God is in his heart; his steps do not falter.

Romans 12:1-2

A Living Sacrifice

¹² Therefore, brothers and sisters, in view of the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your true worship.^[a] ² Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.

1 John 4:1

The Spirit of Truth and the Spirit of Error

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Philippians 1:9-10

⁹ And I pray this: that your love will keep on growing in knowledge and every kind of discernment,¹⁰ so that you may approve the things that are superior and may be pure and blameless in the day of Christ,