

## “God On Mute”

*To the one who has ears to hear, let him hear.” Mt 11:15*

→ The Bible is a book about a God who **speaks**.

### 1) I’m not hearing God because other voices **drown His out**.

- God often speaks loudest when I am **the quietest**.
- *“Come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place.”*  
Mk 6:31
- *“In the early morning, while it was still dark, Jesus arose and went out and departed to a lonely place, and was praying there.”*  
Mk 1:35

### 2) I’m not hearing God because I haven’t **attuned my ear** to His voice.

- *“To the one who has ears to hear, let him hear.”*  
Mt 11:15
- Elijah and God’s still small voice (1 Kings 19:9f)
- Becoming a ‘first-class-noticer/listener’

3) I'm not hearing God because there is **disobedience** in my life.

- *"Your sins are the roadblock between you and your God."* Is 59:2 (CEV)
- If I'm not willing to listen to **everything** God has to say, eventually I won't hear **anything** He has to say. – Mark Batterson

4) I'm not hearing God because sometimes He's **'not talking'**.

- 400 years of slavery in Egypt
- 400 years before John the Baptist
- Jesus on Good Friday
- Holy Saturday

Don't interpret God's **silence** as His **absence**.

Deprivation draws out **desire**.