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THAT STILL SMALL VOICE

Have you ever had a hearing loss? I did. I had the usual childhood diseases of mumps, chicken pox, whooping cough, and measles, and they all settled in my ears. Over the years, my hearing diminished, and I didn't realize how much I wasn't hearing until a friend gave me a pair of hearing aids. It was an immediate change in my life, for once again, I was hearing the little things, like birds singing, or the wind in the willows. I didn't know that my clock on my wall ticked until then either. It was like a miracle to hear again.

Then there is the hearing that we often overlook because we get caught up in the daily activities and the rush of being "busy". The still small voice of God that is bidding us to come and listen. If we pay attention to it, it will lead us into all truth. Holy Spirit speaks quietly. He is very gentle. He never pushes and withdraws easily if we bring grief to Him.

As we get quiet, and that is certainly hard for those that have been "action" people, then He will speak. Often it is just a nudge. Sometimes it is a thought that comes into our mind, but we know it is Him. In Song of Solomon 1:4 it says, ***"Draw me, we will run after thee: The King hath brought me into his chambers: we will be glad and rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more than wine: the upright love thee."*** There is a drawing, an urging to come into the secret place with God Almighty, and just experience His love and peace. That drawing will bring you to the place where nothing else matters.

Many resist the book of the Song of Solomon, but it is the love story of a King and his bride. It should be read and read again. Then in Ephesians 4:25 husbands are ***commanded*** to ***"love their wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it."*** This kind of unselfish love for a wife can only come when a husband knows and understands and becomes like the King in the chamber of Song of Solomon. How different marriage would be and relationships beyond marriage will be when we listen to that still small voice and receive the love only God can give. Then, and only then can we give it to others. Listen, my friends, for He is speaking.