

## Conversing With God - Shall I Listen?

**I:** Shall I listen for a voice I cannot hear?

Shall I listen to Scripture...even when I don't understand?

Shall I listen to the voice within...though it is contrary to the world around me?

Shall I listen and follow You God...even if it means abandoning all that I cherish?

Shall I listen to the urge within that calls me to do what seems impossible?

Shall I continue to listen even when I am ridiculed and persecuted?

Shall I listen to God or listen to the world?

Shall I listen to God or to the whim of my thoughts?

Shall I listen...or shall I pretend that I can't hear You speak?

**God:** I shall listen to your every desire.

I shall listen and be attentive to your needs.

I shall listen and heed every prayer, spoken aloud or held in silence.

I shall never cease to listen to your dreams, and the delights of your imagination.

I shall listen to your frustrations, your anger, your woes and fears.

I shall listen in the quiet and when life is too chaotic to think.

I shall listen whether or not you believe in Me.

I shall listen always from now until eternity.

Listen my child not only to my Words, my teachings, my commandments...

Listen to the cry of your sisters and brothers.

Listen to the cares, desires and fears of another.

Listen to them and you will be listening to me.

For just as I listen to you, so should you listen to others.

Listen to the hurt, the anger, the joy and the hope.

Listen for My voice in the existence of another and there you will find Me speaking in ways you never thought possible.

Listen for a child's laugh, an elder's cough, a crying soul, a joyous song...it is there that you will hear my voice.

Listen for Me and you will always find that I'm listening to you.

