

I listen carefully to what God the LORD is saying, for he speaks peace to his faithful people. But let them not return to their foolish ways. Psalm 85:8 (NLT)

Your Ways

I'm speaking to you. Are you listening to me? Have you made yourself fully available to me? Have you turned your ear to me so you can clearly hear me? I want to guide you. I want to guard you. I want to protect you. I want to teach and train you. I want to speak into your life. I am listening. I have come to a complete stop. I have withdrawn from the crowd. I have left the busyness of the fast lane. I am not chasing one thing after another. I am not running myself into the ground. I am not weary. I am not worn out. I am at rest. I am seated. I am quiet. Here I am. I am meditating on your word. I am carefully considering everything you want to say to me. I am waiting right now, right here. Speak into my life. I'm listening. **That is very good.**

What has my word done for you? Why are you so eager to hear from me? How has my word changed your life? Your word has brought peace into my life. Your word has helped me to know who I am. Your word has guided me to what I should do. **Tell me more about that.** I am your child. You are my Father. You love me. You care for me. You are leading me through life. You are always with me. You will never forsake me. I have a future with you both now and forever. You have a purpose and plan for my life. I am not wandering from one thing to another. I am not chasing some impossible dream. I am not entangled and ensnared in a life filled with foolish thoughts, words, and deeds. I know where I am heading. I know what I am becoming. I know what I will be doing. **What's that?** I am headed where you lead me. I am following you. I am becoming more like you. I am learning to give like you gave, serve like you served, and love like you loved. Am I doing this perfectly? No, I am not. But, day-by-day you are using your word to change my heart, transform my mind and guide my life. I am learning to know your will and walk in your ways. I am delighting in going and doing what is pleasing to you. This is what your word has done for me. This is why I am so eager to hear from you. This is how your word has changed my life. Speak to me Lord, I am listening. **That is very good.**

You have my full attention. I have learned my lesson. I have listened to the wrong voices and taken the wrong paths. I have gone where I should not have gone. I have done what I should not have done. Foolish me. Forgive me. I will follow and obey you. Amen

Character *I Will Listen*
I will listen to what God the LORD will say; he promises peace to his people, his saints-- but let them not return to folly.
NIV Psalm 85:8

Character *Let Me Hear*
Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.
ESV Psalm 85:8

Character *I Will Listen*
I listen carefully to what God the LORD is saying, for he speaks peace to his faithful people. But let them not return to their foolish ways.
NLT Psalm 85:8

Character *I Will Hear*
I will hear what God the LORD will speak, For He will speak peace To His people and to His saints; But let them not turn back to folly.
NKJV Psalm 85:8

Character *Let Me Hear*
Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.
NRSV Psalm 85:8

Character *I Cant Wait To Hear*
I can't wait to hear what he'll say. GOD's about to pronounce his people well, The holy people he loves so much, so they'll never again live like fools.
MSG Psalm 85:8

Character *I Will Listen*
I will listen [with expectancy] to what God the Lord will say, for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints (those who are in right standing with Him)—but let them not turn again to [self-confident] folly.
AMP Psalm 85:8

Character *I Am Listening*
I am listening carefully to all the Lord is saying—for he speaks peace to his people, his saints, if they will only stop their sinning.
TLB Psalm 85:8

Character *I Will Hear*
I will hear what God the LORD will say; For He will speak peace to His people, to His godly ones; But let them not turn back to folly.
NASB Psalm 85:8

Character *I Will Listen*
I will listen to God the LORD. He has ordered peace for those who worship him. Don't let them go back to foolishness.
NCV Psalm 85:8

I Will Listen

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Character – Psalm 85:8

In Context: Read Psalm 85

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God’s Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Psalm 85:8

Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Psalm 85:8

Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

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What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

How are you making yourself available to listen to what the Lord wants to say to you?

When are you making it your practice to meet with God in His word so He can speak to you?

How have you experienced God’s peace as you have quietly met with Him in His word?

How has the Lord been speaking to you so you can know His will and walk in His ways?

How has knowing and doing God’s will kept you from doing what was foolish?

How has knowing and doing God’s will brought His peace into your life?

How has the Lord used His word to change your heart, transform your mind and guide your life?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Make it your daily habit to listen to the Lord so you can walk in His ways and live in His peace.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that as you listen to the Lord will walk in His ways and live in His peace.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how you are listening to the Lord so you can live in His peace.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you listen to the Lord so you can walk in His ways and live in His peace.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will walk in your ways so I can live in your peace.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how can I walk in your ways and live in your peace today?
