

# HEARING what the Spirit is Saying

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**SCRIPTURE TEACHING:** Mark 4:21-25 (The Message Bible)

Jesus went on: "Does anyone bring a lamp home and put it under a washtub or beneath the bed? Don't you put it up on a table or on the mantel? We're not keeping secrets, we're telling them; we're not hiding things, we're bringing them out into the open. Are you listening [HEARING] to this? Really listening [HEARING]? Listen [HEAR] carefully to what I am saying - and be wary of the shrewd advice that tells you how to get ahead in the world on your own. Giving, not getting is the way. Generosity begets generosity. Stinginess impoverishes."

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**TOPIC:** HEARING what the Spirit is saying in a song and our spirit man

- If anyone has ears to **HEAR**...let him **HEAR** what the Spirit of God is saying...

In our teaching scripture, Jesus encourages us to really listen, to **HEAR**

In Worship Arts there are some questions we need to ask as we listen or **HEAR** a song.

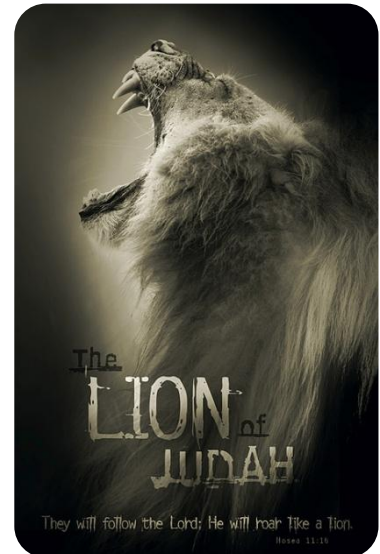
What are we listening for?

- The message of the song
- What the Holy Spirit is saying to us through the song

There are *secret things* that God wants to reveal to you and I. Reveal = revelation; to show us something that was hidden [secret] to us before

(Amos 3:8)

We are carriers of revelation. God wants us to spend time with Him and listen or **HEAR** as He gives us secret [HIDDEN] things to bring out in the open and share with others.



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So to reveal something; according to the teaching scripture, is to turn the lamp on and don't hide it under a bed. Set it out on a table and let it shine. This is what we do in Worship Arts, we turn our lamps on for all to see and HEAR and we advance revelation.

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Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal hidden things to you...as you spend time with Him, He will!

## **PRACTICAL APPLICATION:**

We will use the song "Oceans" by Hillsong United, as our practical application. There are 4 key words or combination of words that I would like you to highlight on the lyrics sheet (see page 5-print it out) of this song.

## **KEY WORDS**

1. Water(s), Oceans deep, Waves
2. Faith
3. Savior
4. Sovereign

As you can see when reading the lyrics there are many filler words, they help us to understand the Key Words of the song but, they really have no movement or colors that correlate with them.

### **1. What is this song about?**

- We look at concepts [the basic idea] not so much the details, much like when studying the Parables that Jesus taught. Every word in a parable is not a key word; some are fillers to help bring a better understanding to it.
- When praying and seeking the LORD about a song we begin to get pictures and words that come up in our spirit man...revelation. We must flow with the revelation that the LORD gives us because that will bring the light to others.

### **2. How would you express this song and what worship arts tools would you use?**

- Flags
- Veils



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- Tabrets
- Ribbons
- Billows
- Streamers
- Sign language
- Interpretive dance

## 3. What is the tempo [speed] of the song?

- Fast
- Slow
- Medium

## 4. What colors represent our Key Words? *[Various flag colors can be placed around the room to help in sensing which colors go with your key words]*

- Water(s), Oceans deep, Waves / blues, turquoise, aqua
- Faith / white
- Savior / red
- Sovereign / gold & purple

## 5. What stirs within you when you listen or HEAR this song?

- Joy
- Peace
- Love
- Power
- Strength
- Longing for Him

These questions are very important to ask ourselves when we worship the LORD. He wants us to commune with him in worship, to become one with him.

As worshippers that lead others, we must remember that others are watching the presentation. Sometimes Worship Arts is kind of a foreign concept to them and so we must keep the message simple, if we add too much detail they will miss the message entirely. Why? Because if they are busy looking at all the extra details



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like too many colors presented, too many symbols or even too much movement, they can become overloaded with information and miss the message entirely!

A great rule of thumb to always remember!!

The acronym: **K.I.S.S.**

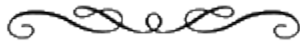
**K** –keep

**I** – it

**S** –simple

**S** –sweetie

**Keep it simple sweetie**



*Keep up your progress, you're doing GOOD. God is using you in ways to bless, encourage and lead others to seek Him. YOU ARE AN OVERCOMER!!!*

~Lora

**LYRICS** By Hillsong United, Album: Zion (2013)

## "Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)"

You call me out upon the waters  
The great unknown where feet may fail  
And there I find You in the mystery  
In oceans deep  
My faith will stand

I will call upon Your name  
And keep my eyes above the waves  
When oceans rise my soul will rest in Your embrace  
For I am Yours and You are mine



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Your grace abounds in deepest waters  
Your sovereign hand  
Will be my guide  
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me  
You've never failed and You won't start now

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So I will call upon Your name  
And keep my eyes above the waves  
When oceans rise  
My soul will rest in Your embrace  
For I am Yours and You are mine

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders  
Let me walk upon the waters  
Wherever You would call me  
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander  
And my faith will be made stronger  
In the presence of my Savior

I will call upon Your Name  
Keep my eyes above the waves  
When oceans rise  
My soul will rest in Your embrace  
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