God's Voice versus Satan's Voice

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God's Voice

Restores us – builds us up (Ps. 23:3)

Leads us - in paths of righteousness (Ps. 23:3)

Directs us – to do God's will (Ps. 31:3; 139:24; Luke 22:42)

Guides us – in truth (John 16:13; Eph. 6:17)

Frees us - liberty (John 8:32; 36)

Stills us (Ps. 46:10; 1 Cor. 14:33; Isa. 26:3)

Reassures us (Isa. 41:10; Ps. 37:23)

Encourages us (John 16:33; Joshua 1:6-7, 9)

Satisfies us (John 10:10)

Sanctifies us (Lev. 11:44)

Convicts us (Rom. 7:14; 24) – But does not overtake and destroy us!

Comforts us (Matt. 11:28-29; Ps. 61:2)

Communes with us - fellowship (James 4:8; Gen. 3:8; Rev. 3:20-21)

Unifies us – God's people (Eph. 4:3)

Builds us - edification (Col. 2:7; Jude 20) – does not tear us down

Calls us – to service (Isa. 6:8)

If your experience in life is comparable to list number one, then God (the Holy Spirit) has been speaking to you and seeking to direct your life.

John 10:27

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me."

Satan's Voice

Tempts us (1 Chron. 21:1; Matt. 4:1; Acts 5:3; 1 Cor. 7:5; Eph. 6:16)

Frightens us (Heb. 2:14-15; Rom. 8:15; 2 Tim. 1:7)

Confuses us (1 Cor. 14:33; Gen. 3:1)

Deceives or fools us (Genesis 3:1-5; 2 Cor. 11:3, 14; 1 Tim. 4:1; 2 Thess. 2:9)

Blinds us – to keep us from fruitful living (2 Pet. 1:9; Rev. 3:17)

Robs us – steals truth from our mind and heart (Matt. 13:19)

Lies to us (Gen. 3:4; John 8:44)

Enslaves us – bondage (2 Tim. 2:26; 2 Pet. 2:19)

Pressures us (Job 1:13-19)

Bargains with us (Gen. 3:5; Heb. 11:25)

Sifts or agitates us (Luke 22:31; 2 Cor. 12:7)

with thoughts of doubt, discouragement, despair, denial (These are the "D" words from the devil)

Condemns or accuses us (Rev. 12:10; Zech. 3:1)

Deters us – from God's will (Gen. 3:1-5; Matt. 16:22-23; 1 Thess. 2:18; 1 Tim. 5:15)

Divides us – God's people (1 Tim. 5:13-15)

Harasses us – to exploit our weakness (Eph. 4:27; Matt. 4:10; 1 Chron. 21:1)

Rushes us – to make rash decisions (Gen. 3:6; Joshua 7:20-21)

Charms us - pride (1 Tim. 3:6-7)

Distracts us – from loyalty to Christ (John 13:2)

Argues with us – about God's plan and purpose (Jude 1:9)

Worries us (Phil. 4:6)

Upsets us (1 Kings 19:4)

Dissatisfies us – with God's will or plan (Gen. 3:1)

Limits us (1 Tim. 4:1-5)

Harms us (John 8:44; Lev. 19:28)

Destroys us - tears us down (John 10:10; 1 Pet. 5:8; 2 Cor. 12:7)

Distances us - from God (Gen. 3:8)

If your experience in life is comparable to list number two, then guess who is speaking to you, deceiving you, and tying to defeat you? The devil!

2 Corinthians 2:11

"Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices."

Ephesians 6:11

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the **wiles** of the devil."

2 Timothy 2:26

"And that they may recover themselves out of the **snare** of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will."

James 4:7

"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."