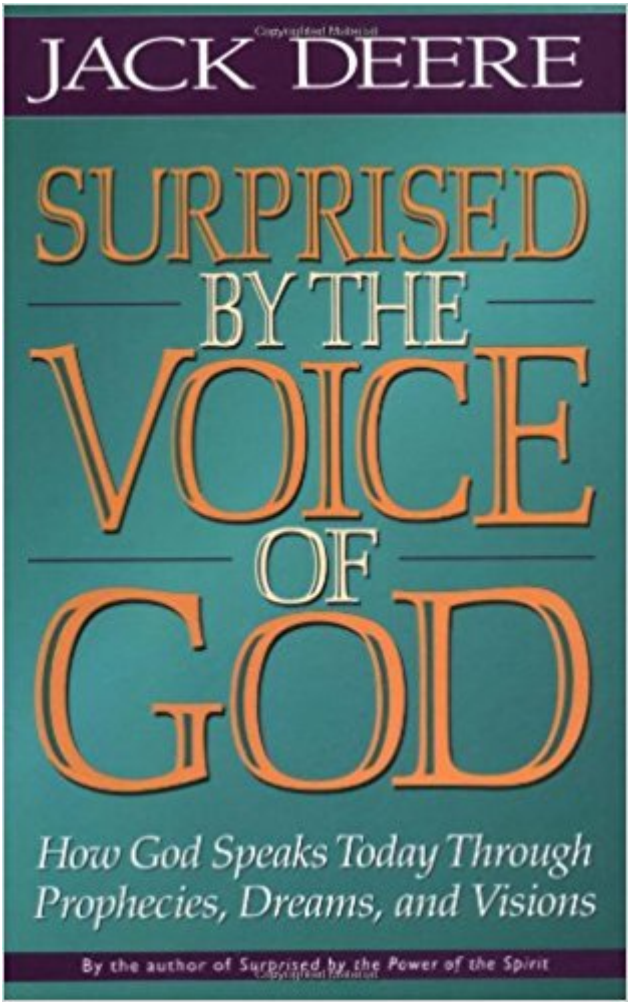
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# Surprised By The Voice Of God




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## Synopsis

Surprised by the Voice of God takes you to the Bible to discover the variety of creative, deeply personal ways God still communicates with us today. You'll learn how God speaks with people apart from the Bible, though never in contradiction to it. Jack Deere first describes the ways God revealed his thoughts to first-century Christians. Then he tells why God continues to speak to us using the same methods. Finally Deere tells how accurately God speaks through prophecies, dreams, visions, and other forms of divine communication. With candor, sensitivity, and a profound understanding of Scripture, Deere identifies our hindrances to hearing the Holy Spirit and calls us beyond them to a more intimate relationship with God. Filled with fascinating stories and personal accounts, Surprised by the Voice of God is for all who want to walk in the dynamic scope of Christianity.

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## Customer Reviews

This inspiring and balanced look at what the Bible says about the ways God communicates will lead readers into a more intimate and effective walk with God.

Jack Deere, formerly an associate professor of Old Testament at Dallas Theological Seminary, is a writer, lecturer, and author of the best-selling Surprised by the Power of the Spirit. He lives with his wife and three children in Whitefish, Montana

I have been a Christian for over forty years. I have always been taught and believed that God

speaks today ONLY through the Bible. In a gracious and loving way, Dr. Deere makes the inarguable case for a God Who speaks in MANY ways today, even as He has since the Creation. I can't find words to express how important this teaching has been to my personal relationship with God through the Lord Jesus. The potential for growing intimacy and open, two-way communication with my loving Lord fills me with hope, encouragement and excitement. I am in full-time Christian ministry (pastor of a small evangelical congregation) and I desperately needed this fresh word from God. It has been humbly and articulately presented in a very down-to-earth, yet intelligent fashion by this gifted and devoted brother in Christ. All who have--or LONG to have--a passion to KNOW the Lord Jesus, MUST read and prayerfully consider the teachings of this tremendous book.

Lots of excellent advice for incorporating the gifts of the Spirit into your life and ministry. Here's an example:In the New Testament, the government of the local church was given to the elders of that church, not to itinerant prophets, nor to the prophets within that church. Paul wrote, ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Å"The elders who direct the affairs of the church are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching (1 Tim. 5:17). There are two groups in the church that continually cause problems for the leadership of the church. One group is the prophetic people. Because they frequently have visions, dreams, and unusual impressions, they may have a tendency to think they know more than the leadership of the church. Some get offended when the leadership doesnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t listen to them. They assume they know better what the Lord wants for the church. The other group that frequently causes difficulty is the intercessors. Intercessors are people whose primary ministry is to pray. They spend long hours in prayerÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â •frequently more than anyone else in the church. Sometimes this makes them feel more spiritual than the leadership, and they resent not having a significant say in the affairs of the church. Both of these groups, the prophets and the intercessors, are required by God to submit to the elders.Deere, Jack S. (2010-06-15). Surprised by the Voice of God: How God Speaks Today Through Prophecies, Dreams, and Visions (Kindle Locations 2833-2841). Zondervan. Kindle Edition.

Beware if you are a conservative with a traditional conservative theology, especially concerning the H.S. and how God speaks to us today. This is a little different.

I wish I could find the "Surprised By The Voice Of God" 2-set cassette tape messages in CD or even DVD format. On the second tape, Jack Deere talks about some very well-documented, eye-witness

accounts of men literally hearing from God, prophesying, the prophesies coming to pass, all either during or around the time of the Reformation, WELL after the Holy Bible was written...and godly people are STILL hearing from God in everyday life. Why haven't we heard these stories before, you may ask? Well, one example is that in an early publication of a particular book that gave very detailed information on people who heard from God and prophesied and so forth...When that publication was reprinted and there was commentary on it, not only had some of the ACTUAL TEXT purposely changed, but the commentary was debunking the original text based on personal bias and not Scripture, indicating it wasn't really what it purported to be or that the people were mistaken as to what actually occurred. To some extent, Dr. Deere (a former naysayer of God speaking today and the gifts of the Holy Spirit not being for today himself) revealed an actual conspiracy against Biblical declarations of God speaking and the Holy Spirit moving today as reported in Biblical times. He brings up two really good questions that there is ZERO Biblical answer for: WHEN did God stop speaking and the gifts of the Holy Spirit stop in Scripture? And if the believers in Bible times NEEDED the voice of God and the gifts of the Holy Spirit for their daily lives, then why don't we as believers today? Another really good point addressed: The Bible tells us what is sin, but the Bible does not tell us who in our lives struggles with certain sin who we can lovingly minister freedom to, as well as other issues that aren't even sin in a person's life, but needs ministry nonetheless. He makes it very clear that God speaks apart from the Bible today, BUT NEVER IN CONTRADICTION TO THE BIBLE. The Bible is STILL THE STANDARD to test what we believe God is saying to us.All this stated, I don't know much about Dr. Jack Deere's theology other than what I've heard on these two cassettes and 3 CDs I've heard of his, so this review is strictly on the 2 cassettes...and I HIGHLY recommend you get your hands on a cassette player or boom box with a cassette player and GET THESE CASSETTE TAPES!Thank you for taking the time to read this, and God Almighty bless you richly with ALL He has for you and everyone you know.Christopher, [...]

It has been a long time since a book captured my attention in this way. Reading it every day. Love it.

Great Product!

Wonderful!

Great book and I highly recommend Jack Deere's other book Suprised by the Holy Spirit!

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