

"And He Said, 'Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the LORD. And, behold, The LORD Passed By, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before The LORD; but The LORD Was Not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but The LORD Was Not in the earthquake: And after the earthquake a fire; but The LORD Was Not in the fire: and after the fire A Still Small Voice." 1 Kings 19:11-12 KJV



Have you ever listened to the surf's whisper? It is heard above all other sounds, but still it is peaceful. Do you know God's Voice? If we walk with Him constantly, meditating, thinking, day and night in His Word, we will instantly know His "Voice." What "voice" do you "hear" when you read a friend's letter? Letters are from the mind and heart and if we know that person, we immediately know the writer. What "voice" do you imagine when you think? Every time you initiate thought, you "talk" to yourself. What "voice" do you "hear?" Thought is the secret communication of the soul. We assume if we think a thought, we initiated it. Satan cannot make you do anything or read your mind. He simply injects impulses or desires through appeal to carnal desire. He has studied man since Eden and although he cannot read your thoughts (only God can do that), body language and millennia of observation render him quite adept at deciphering what you are thinking. "The Devil made me do it," is often used to excuse sin. It's best not to always speak your mind; Satan is listening! We can detect someone's mood without much effort and do you think an evil angel, demon, would have any problem? Keep God's Word in your thoughts constantly to affect thought, reaction, and deed or else Satan will! His impulses aimed at our lusts are the *"fiery darts of the wicked."* He entices our sinful desires. Millennia of observation have taught him well which desires master us. He manipulates mankind to affect their destruction. You need look no further than the advertising industry. What commercials seem to come on at dinnertime? Why? Satan does not have to hurt us. He knows Divine Law better than anyone. He only has to tempt us to sin! God's Predetermined Consequences take care of the rest. *"The soul that sinneth, it shall die."* Satan entices with prosperity, pleasure, and power. His darts come in the form of impulse or intense desire. How many times have you uttered an angry thought, or acted impulsively or obsessively to regret it later? Where did it come from? Action and speech originate in thought. God has Wonderfully Programmed some actions as reflexes. A hot stove needs no thought to quickly move your hand away. Anything contrary to God's Word is sin. Thought is from ourselves, Satan, or God, the Holy Spirit. Since all thoughts have our "voice," the only way to know the source is to be intimate with Truth. God's Word Is A *"Discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart!"* God's Voice Is A Whisper of Truth to His Own.

Many a thought may come and go,
Their very source, the Truth will show,
The tempter's voice we need not know,
If we stay near the Water's flow. –CGP

A fiery dart shot at an open window of the soul, a lust, incinerates the soul. Keep Faith's Shield erected in every entrance of the soul. *"Faith Cometh by hearing...The Word of God."* Faith Is knowing, believing, and obeying God's Word.

"Above all, taking The Shield of Faith, Wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." Ephesians 6:16 KJV