

# God Given Intuition

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*The sixth sense of the believer is a deep, intimate relationship with God that gives them the ability to know Him and to be one with others.*

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**Scripture:** Matthew 6:33, Ephesians 4:17, Ephesians 5:17-18, Hebrews 8:10, 1 John 5:20

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## Description

In this sermon, the preacher emphasizes the importance of loving God with all our senses. He references Ephesians 4:17-18, which speaks about not walking in the futility of the mind like the Gentiles. The preacher highlights the significance of having faith and not being alienated from the life of God. He also mentions the story of Abraham and Rebekah, emphasizing the unity and oneness they had in their relationship. The sermon concludes by emphasizing the need to let go of sin and hold onto the understanding and sixth sense that comes from knowing and loving God.

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## Transcript

Let us pray. Lord, as we read from your word, open the eyes of our mind and our understanding that we'll see marvelous things in your word. We ask you, Lord, to be with us.

And then, Lord, we want to thank you for the marvelous things that you are doing amongst us. Amen. Amen.

We'll read God's word from 1 John 5, verse 20. And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding that we may know Him who is true. Here it says that we know Him.

And we know that the Son of God has come here to this earth. And He's given us an understanding that we know Him who is true. Here in the Zulu translation, it speaks of the mind, the understanding.

In Greek, it is zinne, senses. We know that we have five senses. First sight.

Then hearing. Sense of smell. And taste.

And feeling. So a human being has these five senses. That's the normal person, the natural man.

A man in the flesh, a person. But a child of the Lord does not just have these five senses. He's got a sixth sense.

Intellect. And so a child of the Lord, a believer, has that sixth sense, which is referred to here as that understanding, that intellect. And that sixth sense gives us the ability to know Him who is true.

Lydia. The first Christian, first believer in Europe. God opened her heart.

She listened. She heard what Paul was preaching. The Greek word is *tianoia*.

That understanding. That intellect. That sense.

So remember, that natural man has five senses, but the believer has this extra sense. Matthew 22. Matthew 22.

Matthew 22, verse 37. It says that you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. So you shall love Him with all your senses, including sight, hearing, feeling, and taste, everything.

In Ephesians chapter 5. Verse 17 and 18. That's Ephesians 4, verse 17. This I say therefore and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind.

So a person who has no faith, he walks in the futility of his mind. Having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God. Because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart.

So an unbeliever does not have this sixth sense. He does not have that insight, that intellect. He cannot experience God.

And then in Hebrews, excuse me, I'm reading so many different verses. Hebrews 8, verse 10. Hebrews 8. For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after these days, says the Lord.

I will put my laws in their mind and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God and they shall be my people. None of them shall teach his neighbor, none his brother, saying, Know the Lord, for all shall know me, from the least of them to the greatest of them. So you don't need to go around teaching someone, Know the Lord, do this, don't do that.

God will write it in their hearts, in their minds, even in their feelings. The church in Jerusalem, there were thousands from different backgrounds, yet they were one heart, one mind. Because God had put their laws into their hearts.

One soul. That was amazing to me. So often one had experienced how just a few were gathered, even two people, and each one would have his different opinion.

But here there were these many thousands of believers gathered, they were one heart, one soul. Not because they were all wearing the same uniform, no, but they were one heart. They even had the same taste, the same feeling, because they had the sixth sense, which God put into them.

So if you have that sixth sense, that causes you to be one, then you cannot fight with one another and have enmity. Because God gives you something that the unbeliever, the one who is carnal and not in the

Spirit, can never have. So you won't even have to tell someone, don't do that, don't be immoral, don't look at me like that, don't look at me like that.

Don't look at that book, you shouldn't be doing this. No, you will all feel the same way because God has planted that in each one. You will even see in the same way, what he sees, you see it as well.

But unfortunately so often you find among Christians there is this disunity, seeing things in a different way, because God has not yet given them that sixth sense to see Him who is true. Why is there disunity? Why are there different groupings? Because a person is still holding on to his sin, to his stubbornness. His favourite sin that he is clinging to.

You also find that in 1 Timothy 2 verse 4. If you love sin then hold on to sin. It darkens your understanding, your mind, and you cannot see the way you should see, because he sees differently. His whole feeling, his taste is different.

And it's amazing here how in John we read that again and again, for we know, we know, and we know so often it speaks of knowing, having that understanding. So, the Son of God gives us the sixth sense. That's why they can be of one heart, one soul.

They feel the same thing. They aim at the right thing. They do the same thing.

Nobody needs to teach them. God has written it deep in their lives. That He says, for we know Him.

And knowing Him, that has a very deep meaning when you look at the Greek and the Hebrew words. For even in Genesis we read that Adam knew his wife Eve and she conceived. He knew his wife, she conceived.

Do you see that that word, to know, has got a deep meaning? Even in the New Testament we read of Joseph, when Joseph knew that she was pregnant, he did not know her until after Jesus was born. To know is to have the most intimate relationship. And out of that relationship, something is born.

So, when you look at the Greek and the Hebrew words, you see that they are of one heart, one soul. In Genesis 18, 19, God speaks of Abraham. He says, for I know Abraham.

In some translations it says, I have chosen him, but it says, I, for I know Abraham. Some translations say, I have chosen him, but God says, I have known him. That's why he'll be able to teach his children, his offspring, even his household, the people that work for him.

He'll be able to tell them, follow the Lord, and they'll follow the Lord. He had divine authority because of knowing God, because he had the most intimate relationship with God. God wasn't hiding anything from him, and he was not hiding anything from God.

When God came to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah, he said, how can I hide this from Abraham? So, to know means to have the most intimate relationship where one doesn't hide anything from the other, and vice versa. And through that, the sixth sense is implanted into a person. That's why, whether it's true or whether it's Greek, black or white, there's no black anymore and no white.

They feel the same thing, because they have known the one who is the truth through Jesus Christ. It's a wonderful thing. When Abraham was old already, he wanted to find a wife for his son.

And then he asked his chief servant, Eliezer, and he sent him back to where he came from, to his father's household, and said, go there and find a wife for my son. He didn't tell him how he'd do it. He didn't tell him which door to go to and knock on.

And when that servant got to that place, he went to the well. He got there with his camels, and then he stopped there, and then he prayed. And Abraham didn't tell him that he should get there and then pray first, but he did.

He got there, he prayed, he said, Lord, I don't know who my master's son must have as a wife, but please show me, you show me who she is. And this lady came, and he called her. Now the servant had prayed for a sign and said, Lord, let it be the one that when I ask her to give me water to drink, who will then say, I will also give your camels water to drink, then by that I will recognize she's the one.

And then he met Rebecca, and you know the story, we don't have time to tell it. And so after all, they traveled back to where Abraham was, and while still in the distance, Rebecca saw a young man and then asked the servant, who is that young man there? And then he said, that is the son of my master, my Lord. And she got off from her camel and knelt down before him.

Isaac didn't say, I don't want her, she doesn't have a good figure. But he took her, Abraham took her, they took her, and from that came heroes of the faith, from that relationship, from that union. There were no differences, there wasn't any squabbling or fighting.

I don't like this, I don't like that. They all were one. The sixth sense into their hearts.

They saw things the same way. They even loved the same things. They were totally, completely one.

That's that heavenly unity that is created by meeting with God. So if there's disunity and friction, it's a sign that God hasn't revealed Himself and hasn't been able to implant that sixth sense into the heart. That person hasn't had that real meeting with God, where he can write his law into each heart.

Where he writes into your heart, be holy as I am holy. And if you read in the Acts of the Apostles, you read of the early church, that they came together, they were one heart, one soul, following what the apostles had taught them. Even in the apostles' teaching, people say, I hear what God says, He tells me this.

The next man says, God tells me this, and different things. It's not true. But this oneness, this most precious intimacy is not there.

It's missing. No, I feel like this. I feel like that.

But it's not what God has written in the heart. It's not what God has written. It's not what God has written.

It's not what God has written. But what God has written is not what God The Peace Dougal and they did something which was dishonest. They claimed like everyone else to be bringing everything to the Lord and all the time they were holding something back.

So that law that they not allowed to tell a lie was not written in the Bible. You know how God has taught us when we get engaged and married and that we don't communicate and phone each other and send messages to each other and yet someone may on the sly be communicating with the other person sending SMS's, phoning, you see that shows that that sixth sense is not there. God's Word says we shouldn't gossip and so on and so forth.

And yet you find them meeting together, they will talk their things, talk about others and saying well we don't agree with this, I don't agree with that because that mind of Christ, that sixth sense is lacking. So John says we know that the Son of God has come and given us an understanding. It's a new understanding, a new mind.

It's that sixth sense which so many people don't have. You can wear the same uniform, wear the same badge and yet if you don't have that new mind, that new understanding which only God can give you, it won't work. You'll never be really one.

It will be like mud and iron which just do not gel. We can only be one in Christ and if Christ isn't there, there cannot be that unity and that intimate relationship. If you know Christ and God has worked in his life and written his Lord's heart and mind and it hasn't happened to me, it hasn't happened to me, we can never be truly one.

We can stand together here, we can sing together and yet we will not ever really be one because we haven't experienced that in our hearts. And you can try and speak to someone, explain to him and he just won't see it because God hasn't worked in his heart and done that thing in his heart where he's written his Lord to that heart. I won't even need to tell him don't tell lies, don't be immoral because it will be written in his heart already.

He will know it, he will have sensed it that it's not right for him to do it. Have we got that sixth sense? And if it's not the case, you'll have a mind that's darkened, you can speak to him, you can try and help him but he won't see it because he does not have that sixth sense. Now let me stop there, time's up.

I'd be so happy though if you will have opened and you will open your heart to Christ. As Lydia did, who allowed that what Paul spoke to her to go into her heart, God's Word and it changed her and that it will also be written in your heart and your mind. So you young people who are singing here, you young men as you're saying here, may God give you that sixth sense as well and that nothing will be contradictory in your life.

Like in the Bible, the whole Bible, there's nothing that contradicts something else and may your life also not be contradictory. Let us pray before the choir. Lord we pray that what we have read that we'll understand, that we'll grasp it, that it won't just be like a fairy tale to us, something we don't understand but that our minds will be opened to see it.

Lord write your law into our hearts, our minds, that we will have that sixth sense. That the Bible will not just be written on paper but that it will be written in our hearts. Amen.

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