

## Week 196 w/c 9/8/2020

**Monday: John 12:20-36.** When God spoke in v28, there were different reactions. To some God's voice was just like thunder – a noise without defined words. For others it was “spiritual” perhaps an angel, but again no personal recognition of God's voice. Others including Jesus, heard God speak and recognized what he said. How well do you recognize God's voice when he speaks?

**Tuesday: Deut. 12:32 - 13:18.** God commands Israel to “be careful and follow” the law and directions that he gave. Do you take God's commandments seriously? How important to you is it to understand God's word and apply it completely in your life? Is any change of attitude required here?

**Wednesday: 2 Chronicles 6:22-42.** What do these verses teach us about responding to disaster and difficulty in our lives? Is your response to pray, and to see God's hand in your circumstances, to recognise your personal sin and respond in repentance, prayer and faith?

**Thursday: Psalm 124:1 - 125:5.** Mountains are used as powerful illustrations of our relationship with God in Psalm 125:1 & 2. The mountains in the psalm are a symbol of permanence and protection. When you look at a mountain or a lakeland fell what picture does it bring to mind of God's relationship with you?

**Friday: Hosea 2:1-23.** Gomer's unfaithfulness to her husband is a picture of Israel's unfaithfulness to God, but there is also a glimpse of a new covenant (v18) when those who are not God's people will be called God's people (v25). Praise God this verse applies to us, non-Jews who have become God's people through faith in Christ. (1 Pet 2:10)

**Weekend: Hebrews 12:14-29.** Consider verses 28 & 29. Are you thankful to God? Do you worship with due reverence and awe? Do you recognize that God is a “consuming fire” as well as the one who invites us to come boldly to him through the blood of Jesus (v24)? Do you give due weight to both aspects of God's nature?