

## “TAUGHT, HEARD, LEARNED, COME TO ME”

(Jno. 6:45)

*“45 It is written in the prophets, And they shall all be taught of God. Every one that hath heard from the Father, and hath learned, cometh unto me,”* Jno. 6:45. Jesus uses this prophecy for the purpose of letting us know what it will be like under his New Testament Covenant, Heb. 9:16-17. This Law is called the Law of Christ, Gal. 6:2. Contrasted with this is the Law of Moses in which there were those born fleshly, circumcised the eighth day and declared to be of the seed of Abraham and hath a covenant relationship with God, Phil. 3:5. There shall be a **new way** of coming to God under the **Law of Christ**, Jno. 3:5.

The prophet declared that under the **Law of Christ** it would be necessary, first of all, that a person be **TAUGHT!** God’s word was to be revealed and taught, that the world may know what God expects of them. The apostles were to go forth teaching, so it is demanded in the great commission, Mk. 16:15: *“Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to the whole creation.”* It was expected of Evangelist they do the same thing, *“And the things which thou hast heard from me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also,”* II Tim. 2:2. The mystery was made known, Col. 1:26, *“Even the mystery which hath been hid for ages and generations: but now hath it been manifested to his saints.”* Through the New Testament God has made known his will to mankind.

The prophet Isaiah is quoted by Jesus, Isa. 54:13 and declares secondly, that which is delivered must be **HEARD**. Often in the New Testament it is emphasized that one needs to hear the word of God, Matt. 13:10-17. There are those who hear and yet they hear not. These are the ones who are always learning; yet never come to understand God and his way. *“6 From which things some having swerved have turned aside unto vain talking: 7 desiring to be teachers of the law, though they understand neither what they say, nor whereof they confidently affirm,”* I Tim. 1:6-7.

We have an obligation to hear the word of God with the intention of coming to a knowledge of what is presented therein. The idea is for us thirdly, to **LEARN!** This is the idea presented in the letters to the churches of Asia Minor, Rev. 2:7; 2:11; 2:17; 2:29; 3:6; 3:13; 3:22. We have a responsibility to be taught and learn. We cannot just hear and let it pass. David said he *“Mediated on the Law day and night,”* Psa. 1:2. Also in that same verse it is stated that he *“delighted in the Law of Jehovah.”* We need to *“study,”* handling aright the word of truth. Please, we do not need to do as Peter said some do to Paul’s writings, *“which the ignorant and unstedfast wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction,”* II Pet. 3:16.

When one is **taught, hears** and **understands** and assuming he is honest and good soil, Lk. 8:15, he will bring forth *“fruit.”* He will fourthly, **“COME UNTO ME!”** When one is honest and learns the will of God he will be interested in **obeying the will of God**. A passage comes to mind in Rev. 12:17: *“And the dragon waxed wroth with the woman, and went away to make war with the rest of her seed, that keep the commandments of God, and hold the testimony of Jesus.”* This is the totality of the statement in Jno. 6:45, **Cometh unto me.”**

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