

Alpha Teens

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STUDENT BIBLE DISCOVERY PAGE

Listening In The Bible

To be a good listener, there has to be an active involvement with the person talking. You can't say you're listening if you're thinking about the game tomorrow, or something you want to do in the morning, or someone standing nearby with whom you'd rather be talking. When you talk, you appreciate people listening to you, because what you have to say is important. Involvement means you recognize that the other person feels what he says is important, too. **Each of the following Scriptures has a truth relating to why involvement with other people is necessary. Write in your own words what truth about involvement is contained in each Scripture.**

1. Galatians 6:2 _____
2. Proverbs 18:13 _____
3. Romans 12:10 _____
4. James 1:19 _____
5. John 13:35 _____
6. Philippians 2:4 _____
7. Proverbs 10:19 _____
8. Matthew 25:37-40 _____
9. I Corinthians 12:26 _____

DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR WEEK 8



DAY 1

Read Proverbs 18:13.

"Mark, you're from out of state, aren't you?"

"No, we moved from Bryce when my dad got transferred here."

"Your dad's in the navy?"

"No, he works for an insurance company."

"You're an only child, right?"

"I've got three brothers and two sisters."

Are you a good listener? When someone is speaking, do you wait to hear what they are saying before you answer back? Ask God to give you a listening heart, and a real concern to hear what others are saying.

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DAY 2

Read James 1:22-25.

"Our Lord said that the badge of love would be worn by each one of His disciples. Are you wearing this badge? Are you looking for opportunities to show love to others?"

"She didn't invite me to her party, so I'll show her! I'll ignore her at school tomorrow."

Hey, why wait until then — I won't say anything to her as we leave church."

Every Sunday you listen to the Word of God being preached. But it is only of benefit to you if you apply it to your life. Ask God to make you a doer as well as a hearer of His Word.

MY RESPONSE . . .

DAY 3

Read Galatians 6:2.

"Hey, John, you got a minute you can give me?"

"Make it fast — I've got more important things to be doing."

"Well, listen. My dad just threw me out of the house again. He's drunk again and has

a couple of babes over. I was wondering if I could stay with you tonight."

"Some other time, Bill. Bye."

Are you willing to listen when someone has a problem? You may not have all the answers, but you can pray for that person. Ask God to lead you to someone who needs encouragement today.

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Read Ephesians 2:19.

"So what do you guys want to do tonight?"

"Let's check out the hot girls downtown."

"Let's go to a movie, then check them out."

"Bryan, what do you want to do?"

"Let's go to Alpha Teens at my church."

Are you involved in the lives of other Christians? If all of your friends are non-Christians, then you are missing out on part of God's plan for you. Ask God to give you a Christian friend. If you already have one, be a help and encouragement to him/her.

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Read I Corinthians 12:25-27.

"My favorite aunt was killed by a serial killer! You always think of things like that happening to other people — not someone you know and love!"

"Oh, Jen, can you really be sure it was a serial killer? Maybe it was someone she knew. Maybe she had a secret life you knew nothing

about. Maybe you'll see her secret life on *60 Minutes* or *A Current Affair*. Hey, Jen, where are you going?"

When another Christian hurts, do you hurt, too? Sometimes we are insensitive to the hurting (like Jen's friend). Ask God to give you a caring heart.

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Read Philippians 2:1-4.

"My favorite aunt was killed by a serial killer! You always think of things like that happening to other people — not someone you know and love!"

"Oh, Jen, I'm so sorry to hear that! Go ahead and cry. It's hard for me to talk at a time like

this, but it's not hard to hug you. I love you, Jen, and I'm here for you."

What can you give to Jesus? He has given you comfort, friendship, tenderness, compassion, and love. When you give these to others, you give them back to Jesus. Give someone a gift like this.

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Read John 15:9-12.

"Hey, John, you got a minute you can give me?"

"Sure do."

"Well, listen. My dad just threw me out of the house again. He's drunk again and has a couple of friends over. I was wondering if I could stay with you tonight."

"Come right over, buddy."

How do we show love to other people? We show our love by doing loving things. Love is kind, and therefore we show it by being kind. Love is patient, so we show it by being patient rather than demanding. Ask God to help you demonstrate His love.

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