1 Corinthians 14:9 unless ye Speak clearly by the tongue speech easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken? for you will then be speaking into the air

<u>10</u> There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them are without dissimulation or given signification.

<u>11</u> If then I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be to him that speaks out, a babarian, and he that speak out, will be a barbarian unto me.

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Being understood is important

Understanding, is also equally important but, more importantly, is recognising the voice and the source of that voice. Discerning as a gift of the Spirit is missing in many areas of christianity

The gift of discernment has 2 main aspects od usa

- 1 Seeing clearly the issue or what is behind san issue in peoples lives
- 2 Being fully aware of the voice that is speaking

There are voices everywhere shouting for our response and attention.

Often situations we find ourselves in have a voice and we are not aware of it

Spending time rehearsing situations is the voice of the situation claiming our attention

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Sickness and disease have a voice and we find ourselves listening to that voice

Spending time rehearsing a sickness or disease is the voice of the situation claiming our attention.

Our careers have a voice

Our hobbies have a voice

Our daily needs have a vouce

Our families have a voice

Our sports interests have a voice

Our churches have a voice

There are voices everywhere shouting for our response and attention.

Some people would have nothing to say if they never had a problem

It becomes their constant storyline in every conversation

There are voices everywhere shouting for our response and attention.

The significance of these voices has to be brought into check by the operation of God's Holy Spirit and discerned for what it is.

If the significance is not to our growth and benefit or of a God given origin, it could be purposed against us to our detriment

By the power of The Word, we have to render that voice as insignificant

We are no longer only in a time/space world

We are in a war of words, all wanting our attention and understanding

Most, if not all of them are purposed to distract us from listening to the one voice we should be listening to

Don't miss tonight's news get all the facts you need to know on news at 6

What difference will it make to any of us if we miss the 6 o'clock news??

Most times, not knowing keeps us more sound and aware of our own life and what is important

Did you hear...." Who care or no but it does not concern me or Yes I did hear, but I have surrendered that to the Lord Jesus in prayer

His peace is now my peace

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There is now Word or voice That carries to power and authority of God's Word or God's voice

Our safeguard is the word of God emblazon on our hearts and in our minds

Every other voice then has a standard to line up to.

Everything we hear, feel or are challenged with then becomes subject to and secondary to what God has said and promised

Matthew 13 <u>19</u>Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: <u>20</u>But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: <u>21</u>For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also NB verses 22 - 30

31Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? 32(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knows that ye have need of all these things. 33But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Romans 14:14 I know and am convinced by the Lord Jesus that *there is* nothing unclean of itself; but to him who considers anything to be unclean, to him *it is* unclean.

<u>15</u>Yet if your brother is grieved because of *your* food, you are no longer walking in love. Do not destroy with your food the one for whom Christ died.

<u>16</u>Therefore do not let your good be spoken of as evil;

<u>17</u> for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

<u>18</u>For he who serves Christ in these things *is* acceptable to God and approved by men.