

# Evening Lesson

## HOW'S YOUR HEARING?

Luke 8:18

### INTRO:

1. One in eight people over the age of 12 has some form of hearing loss.
2. For those of us over 65 that number is one in three.
3. Poor hearing affects many people whose auditory ability is excellent.
4. Hearing is one thing, but listening is something else.
5. How do we hear what Jesus says?
6. Are we listening?

### I. SOME HEAR JESUS GLADLY.

- A. There are those that are looking for truth and recognize it when they hear it. **Matt.5:6; John 8:31, 32**
- B. Many that gladly hear, immediately obey. **Acts 2:41**

### II. SOME HEAR JESUS CONTINUALLY.

- A. These are those that hear him over and over and yet have no desire to respond in a positive way.  
**Acts 17:32**
- B. They are like the soil that never allowed the seed to germinate. **Matt. 13:3, 4**
- C. They hear, but aren't really listening. **Matt. 13:13-15**

### III. SOME HEAR JESUS ARGUMENTATIVELY.

- A. They are like the Pharisees that wanted to be able to accuse him. **Luke 11:53, 54; John 8:43-47**
- B. They hear Jesus with preconceived ideas and traditions.
- C. They will see what he says, but will not accept it as truth. **Matt. 15:6-9**

### CONC:

1. How do we hear Jesus?
2. We must become people that hear him gladly.