

*Using Your
Spiritual Senses*

2 Timothy 1:6

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Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

Introduction

A. Our senses are gifts

B. Our senses are windows to the world

Job 37:14

Hearken unto this, O Job: stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God.

C. Our senses are tools by which we live

D. Bible lists all five senses in the context of our spiritual faith in balance

1 Corinthians 12:17

If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing?

If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling?

I. Sense of Vision

A. Evidence of faith

Proverbs 29:18

Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

I. Sense of Vision

B. Where to look

1. Looking for God

Hebrews 12:2

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Psalm 121:1

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

I. Sense of Vision

B. Where to look - continued

2. Looking for souls

John 4:35

Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

3. Looking to help

Philippians 2:4

Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

II. Sense of Hearing

A. Exercise of faith

Romans 10:17

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

II. Sense of Hearing

B. We should listen carefully for the voice of God

1. Takes attention

Psalm 46:10

Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

2. Takes attuning

1 Kings 19:12

And after the earthquake a fire; but the LORD was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

II. Sense of Hearing

B. We should listen carefully for the voice of God

3. Takes acceptance

Matthew 17:5

While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

III. Sense of Smell

A. Example of faith

Philippians 4:18

But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.

III. Sense of Smell

B. A spiritual sense developed by our sacrifice to God

Hebrews 13:20-21

20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

IV. Sense of Taste

A. Expectation of faith

Psalm 34:8

O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

IV. Sense of Taste

B. We should become one with Christ

1. By yearning

Psalm 119:103

How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

2. By growing

1 Peter 2:1-3

1 Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, all evil speakings,

2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

3 If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

IV. Sense of Taste

B. We should become one with Christ

3. By abiding

John 17:23

I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

V. Sense of Touch

A. Exaltation of faith

Matthew 9:21

For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole.

B. The touch of Christ can make our senses whole

Matthew 9:29

Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.

V. Sense of Touch

C. Our lives should touch others

Galatians 6:10

As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

Do Not Be Senseless!!