

Traits for Listening to God & Others

(Circle key points from the NIV verses below.)

Listening and Doing

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. James 1:19-20

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do. James 1:22-25

The way of fools seems right to them, but the wise listen to advice. Proverbs 12:15

To answer before listening—that is folly and shame. Proverbs 18:13

The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit. Proverbs 18:21

Get Godly Wisdom at Any Cost

Listen, my sons, to a father's instruction; pay attention and gain understanding. Proverbs 4:1

"but whoever listens to me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm." Proverbs 1:33

My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ear to my words.²¹ Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart; ... Proverbs 4:20-21

To you, O people, I call out; I raise my voice to all mankind.⁵ You who are simple, gain prudence; you who are foolish, set your hearts on it.⁶ Listen, for I have trustworthy things to say; I open my lips to speak what is right.⁷ My mouth speaks what is true, ... Proverbs 8:4-7a

Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it. Proverbs 8:33

Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise. Proverbs 19:20

List some key traits below that you will receive from listening to God.
