

This Still Small Voice is so much misunderstood!

[CAVEAT: Everything between the pink brackets that is written in bold, ten-point, italic fonts are not to be taken as part of the scriptures. They are only my attempt to help the readers understand the scripture better. T.A.H.]

I Kings 19 (9) And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, **The** ^{NOTE} **Word of Yahweh** came to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah? (10) And he said, I have been very jealous for **Yahweh Elohim** of Hosts: for the Children of Israel have forsaken **Thy** covenant, thrown down **Thine** altars, and slain **Thy** prophets with the sword; and I, *even* I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away. (11) And **He** said, Go forth, & stand upon the mount before **Yahweh**. And, behold, **Yahweh** passed by, and a great and **strong wind** rent the mountains, & brake in pieces the rocks before **Yahweh**; *but* **Yahweh was not in the wind**: & after the wind an **earthquake**; *but* **Yahweh was not in the earthquake**: (12) And after the earthquake a **fire**; *but* **Yahweh was not in the fire**: and after the fire **a still small *voice** *[sound]*.

*H6963. qowl, kole; or qol, kole; from an unused root meaning to call aloud; **a voice** or **sound**:-- + aloud, bleating, crackling, cry (+ out), fame, lightness, lowing, noise, + hold peace, [pro-] claim, proclamation, + sing, sound, + spark, thunder (-ing), voice, + yell.

In this case, the Hebrew #H6963 would have been better translated as "**sound**" rather than "voice." By using a little logic, either a **great wind** that is strong enough to break the mountains, an **earthquake** or a **fire makes a very loud sound**. Elijah **heard the loud sound of the wind, the earthquake and the fire coming into the cave** and then only **a still small sound could be heard in the cave**. **Elijah then** wrapped his face with his mantel and ventured to go out and stand in the entrance of the cave. Please notice that neither of the **sounds** that came into the cave from the **wind**, the **earthquake**, the **fire** nor the **still small sound** that replaced them) **spoke or say anything**. However, **after Elijah came out to the entrance of the cave then the voice of Yahweh did speak to him**.

CONCLUSION: This should make it very simple to understand. Elijah heard the **sounds** of the strong **wind**, then the **sound** of the **earthquake**, then the **sound** of the **fire**, and then the **still small sound** that replaced them. **Then he went out to the mouth of the cave where the voice of Yahweh spoke to him**.

FYI, The account with Elijah inside the cave and at the mouth of the cave probably took place through a dream or a vision. How would I know that? Numbers 12:6-8:

Numbers 12 (6) And He *[Yahweh]* said, Hear now **My** words: If there be a **prophet** among you, **I Yahweh** will make **Myself** known unto him in a **vision**, *and* will speak unto him in a **dream**. (7) **My** servant Moses *is* not so, who *is* faithful in all **Mine** house. (8) With him will **I** speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of **Yahweh** shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against **My** servant Moses?

NOTE-1: The **Word of Yahweh** was the **Word** that was made flesh in the person of **Yahshua**, and dwelt among us in the first chapter of John and the rider on the white horse in symbolic prophetic language in Revelation chapter nineteen.

NOTE-2: John 1 (1) In the beginning was the **Word**, and the **Word** was with *[G2316- Θεός theos]*, and the **Word** was *[G2316- Θεός theos]* (2) The same was in the beginning with *[G2316- Θεός theos]*. (3) All things were made by **Him**; and without **Him** was not any thing made that was made. ... (14) And the **Word** was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld **His** glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the **Father**,) full of grace and truth.

NOTE-3: Revelation 19 (11) And I saw Heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and **He** that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness **He** doth judge and make war. (12) **His** eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on **His** head *were* many crowns; and **He** had a name written, that no man knew, but **He Himself**. (13) And **He** *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and **His** name is called The **Word** of *[G2316- Θεός theos]*. (14) And the armies *which were* in Heaven followed **Him** upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. (15) And out of **His** mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it **He** should smite the nations: and **He** shall rule them with a rod of iron *[Psa. 2:9]*; and **He** treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of **Almighty Yahweh**. (16) And **He** hath on **His** vesture and on **His** thigh a name written, **King** of kings, and **Sovereign** of sovereigns.

May **Yahweh** bless those who read this article and are not offended by it.

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