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How to Talk Gerbil



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For a long time, researchers were confused about the sounds gerbils make because they were only hearing a small part of the communication. This is because our human ears hear sounds that go up to about 20,000 cycles per second. However, gerbils do most of their talking at as high as 32,000 cycles per second. Their talk is too high-pitched for us to hear.

Tape recordings of these ultra-high-frequency sounds have been played back at slower speeds. They reveal that most gerbil communication involves different kinds of whistles. These whistles are different types of speech, depending upon the purpose of the communication. While researchers cannot completely translate gerbil speech, they have learned that gerbils are continually asking where others are and reporting their own positions.

Scripture calls the Son of God the Word. He is presented in the Bible as the creating and saving Word. This revelation about Him is intended to help us realize that communication is an essential part of God's nature. Communication is not an evolutionary development. How could it be? Communication is the gift of a loving Creator. Have you read His communication to you in the Bible?

Prayer: Father, I confess that my life is filled with too many words, yet not enough of the Word. Forgive me for Jesus' sake and help me keep my resolve to spend more time being instructed in Your Word of truth and life. Amen.

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