

# THE VOICE

## Part 2: The Voices Going Out

Text: *Psalm 118:15*

### RECAP: WHAT IS COMING OUT OF OUR ‘TENTS’

- ✓ Should be a contrast between the tents of the righteous and those without God

### SOME OF THE VOICES IN OUR TENTS

#### A. Recap

1. Silence - better than negatives but may indicate another challenge
2. Sighing / Groaning - giving voice to sorrow or despair
3. Complaining - not to be in our tent because we are lights in a dark world

#### B. Cursing (*James 3:8-11 NKJV*)

1. To wish harm or evoke evil upon
2. Does not mean we avoid honesty (*2 Timothy 3:1-5 NKJV*)

#### C. What comes out of us helps define us (*Romans 3:12-14 NKJV*)

1. This passage describes the condition of fallen man
2. God places an emphasis on what comes out of us

### AS NEW CREATIONS WE ARE TO HAVE A NEW VOICE (*Ephesians 4:21-24 NKJV*)

#### A. We are not who we used to be, spiritually speaking

1. We did not “get religion” we were changed
2. But we have to be intentional about the transition from old to new

#### B. We adopt a new perspective

1. Renewal of the mind

#### C. Now we began to “walk out” what has been worked in us (*Ephesians 4:25-32 NKJV*)

1. A function of renewal and putting on the new man - change in actions

#### D. The “new man” has a “new voice”

1. Not lying but speaking truth (*Ephesians 4:15 NKJV*)
2. No corrupt (toxic) words
3. No clamor - loud quarreling (*James 3:17 NKJV*)
4. Evil - speaking - verbal abuse against someone