

# THE VOICE

## Part 3: A New Voice

Text: *Psalm 118:15*

### LEARNING A NEW VOICE

- A. Writing to people with no religious background (*Ephesians 4:17 NKJV*)
  - 1. Don't walk or live as the rest of the Gentiles
  - 2. Paul had spent the first 3 chapters of this letter talking about what Jesus had done for them
- B. The process of putting off the old, putting on the new (*Ephesians 4:21-24 NKJV*)
  - 1. Putting away the former conduct
  - 2. Putting off the old because that is no longer who we are
- C. The catalyst is to renew our minds
  - 1. Not just new information but new information that we practice
- D. One key area of mind renewal is Feelings vs. Action driven
  - 1. An important part of putting off the old man to put on the new
  - 2. We are not what we feel, we are what we do
  - 3. We have been trained to believe we are hypocrites if we act differently than our feelings
- E. Putting on the new man that was created (key word)
  - 1. Created right with God and separated for Him
  - 2. Paul said nothing about feelings, he talked about putting on - action

### HOW DO THE RIGHTEOUS ACT AND TALK? (*Ephesians 4:25-32 NKJV*)

- A. Actions
  - 1. Angry without sinning
  - 2. Stop stealing - work to give
  - 3. No stinky attitudes
  - 4. Be kind, tender hearted and forgiving
    - 1. No lying; we speak truth (*Ephesians 4:15 NKJV*)
    - 2. No toxic poison words that cause harm and hurt
    - 3. No clamor - loud quarreling (*James 3:17 NKJV*)
    - 4. Evil - speaking - verbal abuse against someone