#### THE STRONGEST VOICE

Part 6: The Strongest Voice From You

## TEXT: (1 Corinthians 14:10 KJV)

#### RECAP:

- √ God told Joshua how to do well in life / David later repeated the same principle
- ✓ Renewing the mind renovation of how we think and how we see ourselves

# MAKING PROGRESS (1 Timothy 4:15 NKJ)

- A. Paul was writing to someone he wanted to see succeed
  - 1. Paul may have been the strongest voice in Timothy's life
    - a. Called Tim my son in the faith
    - b. Chances are very strong that Tim was very accepting of Paul's words
  - 2. Paul told him to meditate
    - a. To think about what was written to him
    - b. In order to observe to do to see it
  - 3. Give yourself to it do it
    - a. The progression is accept it, see it and then do it

# WHAT IS THE STRONGEST VOICE FROM YOU?

- A. Complaining / Arguing (Philippians 2:14-15 NKJ)
  - 1. All is a pretty inclusive word
  - 2. In order to be blameless and innocent
    - a. Without fault and without any mixture of deceit or defiling material
    - b. Above reproach if they are talking bad they have to make it up
  - 3. We are called to live different as children of God
    - a. In a complaining arguing fault finding world
  - 4. This is one of the ways we shine our light in a dark world (Matthew 5:16 NKJ)
    - a. Good works include good words
- B. Reporting / Repeating / Revealing
  - 1. Reporting what we see / Repeating what we hear / Revealing what we feel/think
    - a. Would not be a problem if it was positive
  - 2. What is being imparted to those who hear us? (Ephesians 4:29-31 NKJ)
    - a. Do the words edify build up?
    - b. Do the words we speak impart grace God's favor and power
  - 3. Do our words grieve the Holy Spirit who is in us?
    - a. Grieve is to make sorrowful, sad, to offend
  - 4. So much is revealed in our words good and bad
    - a. Bitterness, rage, resentment, harsh words and slander
- C. Thanking (Ephesians 5:3-4 NKJ)
  - 1. Giving thanks is Kingdom talk
    - a. Always appropriate
  - 2. Giving thanks is being a doer of God's word (Colossians 3:17 NKJ)
    - a. Words carry weight especially from Heaven's perspective
  - 3. Giving thanks helps establish us in faith (Colossians 2:6-7 NKJ)
    - a. We are thanking God for what He has done for us in Christ
    - b. We can thank God for what we have not seen yet

### 1 Corinthians 14:10 (KJV)

10 There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification.

## 1 Timothy 4:15 NKJ

15 Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.

### Philippians 2:14-15 NKJ

14 Do all things without complaining and disputing, 15 that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,

#### Matthew 5:16 NKJ

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

#### Ephesians 4:29-31 NKJ

29 Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.

# **Ephesians 5:3-4 NKJ**

3 But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; 4 neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

#### Colossians 3:17 NKJ

17 And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

#### Colossians 2:6-7 NKJ

6 As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, 7 rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.