

THE VOICE

Part 5: The Sound of Rejoicing

Text: *Psalm 118:15*

A REJOICING VOICE IS A DEFINITIVE DIFFERENCE

- A. Rejoice: to be joyful, to be glad, to gloat
 - 1. The opposite from sad, despairing and complaining
- B. Rejoicing is unmistakably intentional (*Psalm 9:2 NKJV*)
 - 1. David says “I will” four times
- C. Rejoicing is an expression of our faith (*Psalm 5:11-12 NKJV*)
 - 1. We rejoice because we put our trust in God
 - 2. We rejoice for what God has done for us (*Psalm 31:7-8 NKJV*) (*Psalm 63:7 NKJV*)
- D. Rejoicing is a great connection with the Lord (*Isaiah 64:5a NKJV*)
 - 1. He meets (encounters, reaches) those who rejoice
 - 2. This is the way we conduct our selves in The Highest Court (*Psalm 100:1-5 NKJV*)
 - 3. Using the Psalms is a great way to practice rejoicing

DAVIDS' EXAMPLE OF REJOICING

- A. Nowhere to run and hide (*1 Samuel 21:10-15 NKJV*)
 - 1. Had to run to the enemy’s land and then act crazy to escape
 - 2. David wrote the 34th Psalm after this incident
- B. Escaped to a cave (*1 Samuel 22:1-2 NKJV*)
 - 1. Still concerned for his life
 - 2. All the unhappy people joined him
 - 3. Instead of writing the blues he writes (*Psalm 57:1 & 7 NKJV*)