

SPEAK PT.3 | THE NOISE OUTSIDE | PASTOR RYAN ROBERTS

-GOD'S PRESENCE IS ON THE EARTH RIGHT NOW.

-HE IS PRESENT VIA HIS HOLY SPIRIT, WHO OPERATES IN AND WITH HIS CHURCH (THE BODY OF CHRIST)

JESUS CALLS THE HOLY SPIRIT IN JOHN "ANOTHER HELPER" THAT HE WILL ASK THE FATHER TO SEND TO US...

JOHN 14:15-17

ANOTHER: Allos: another of the SAME kind

HELPER: parakletos: compound word of 2 words: para and

kaleo.

Para means "very close"

Kaleo means "to call" it's often used by the early apostles to define their callings.

JOHN 14:26

3 QUESTIONS...

- -Who are you listening to?
- -Who do you submit to?
- -What voice has the greatest influence in your life?

REALITY CHECK: MY OWN VOICE IS NOT THE VOICE OF GOD!

THE PROBLEM:

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WE ALL HAVE 3 TYPES OF LOUD CONSTANT VOICES:

- -THE INNER VOICE (SELF) **LAST WEEK**
- -THE OUTER VOICES (THOSE WHO INFLUENCE MY INNER VOICE)
- -THE ENEMY'S VOICE (MAY BE MIXED IN WITH THE OTHER 2)

SOMETIMES THE LOUD AND POPULAR VOICES OF OTHERS LEAD US ASTRAY

1 CORINTHIANS 15:33

MOST OF US LIVE AS IF WHEN WE GROW UP THE PEER PRESSURE STOPS... THAT'S FALSE!

IT'S ON ME TO DECIDE WHAT VOICES HAVE THE MOST INFLUENCE IN MY LIFE.

ROMANS 14:11-12

SOME OF THE LOUD, POPULAR, OUTSIDE VOICES:

1. THE FAKERS THAT INFLUENCE YOU (INFLUENCERS & SOCIAL MEDIA)

"One longitudinal analysis of data from youth in the United Kingdom found distinct developmental windows during which adolescents are especially sensitive to social media's impact. During those windows—around 11 to 13 for girls and 14 to 15 for boys—more social media use predicts a decrease in life satisfaction a year later, while lower use predicts greater life satisfaction" (Orben, A., et al., Nature Communications, Vol. 13, No. 1649, 2022).

KEY TO TURNING DOWN THIS VOICE: PUT DOWN THE DEVICE, UNPLUG, & GO OUTSIDE.

Psalm 145:5

2. THE JUSTIFIERS THAT TEMPT YOU (UNHEALTHY FRIENDSHIPS)

1 COR 15:33-34

LUKE 5:17-26

QUOTE: "SHOW ME YOUR FRIENDS AND I'LL SHOW YOU YOUR FUTURE" -MARTY DARRACOTT

KEY: BREAK UP WITH THOSE LEADING YOU ASTRAY & FIND THOSE LEADING YOU TO GOD!

3. THE DISSENTERS THAT STIR UP DIVISION (FEAR & GOSSIP)

TITUS 3:8-11

KEY: STOP LISTENING TO THE GARBAGE AND FOCUS ON GOD. DEVOTE YOURSELF TO GOOD WORKS (THE THINGS OF GOD), SERVE HIM AND NOT FEELINGS, EMOTIONS, OR PEOPLE.

4. THE AGITATORS THAT JUDGE YOU (PRETEND TO BE GODLY)

MATTHEW 7:1-6

1 PETER 4:17

KEY: SEEK GODLY COUNCIL FOR YOUR LIFE, WALK THE NARROW PATH DAILY, STAND CONFIDENT IN YOUR SALVATION

5. THE FUTILE THAT WANT YOU STUCK (FRUITLESS)

LUKE 6:43-45

1 JOHN 4:1-3

KEY: CONSIDER THE SOURCE!

GOOD NEWS: THERE IS POTENTIAL FOR GOOD, POSITIVE, GODLY, OUTSIDE VOICES THAT LEAD US TO HEAR HIM BETTER! THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE <u>HIS</u> CHURCH.

CHURCH SHOULD BE A PLACE WHERE WE CAN LEARN HOW TO HEAR HIM BECAUSE IT QUIETS THE REST OF THE WORLD AROUND US... EVEN FOR A LITTLE WHILE. CHURCH IS FULL OF OUTSIDE VOICES, BUT THOSE VOICES SHOULD BE ENCOURAGEMENT AND POINTING TO CHRIST...

HEBREWS 10:19-31

WHAT CHURCH IS SUPPOSED TO DO IS STIR YOU UP.

GOD DID NOT SAY <u>ANY PERSON</u> ON THE EARTH IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH, BUT HE DID PUT A SYSTEM IN PLACE, WITH CHRIST AS THE HEAD!

EPHESIANS 4:11-14

- 1. PROPHETS WHO ARE LIKE Protectors (HELP shield you)
- 2. PASTORS WHO ARE LIKE Peacemakers/Leaders (HELP guide you)
- 3. TEACHERS WHO ARE LIKE Mentors (HELP teach you)
- 4. EVANGELISTS WHO ARE Preachers (HELP reach & tell you truth)
- 5. APOSTLES WHO ARE LIKE Builders (HELP grow you)

ROMANS 10:14-15

BUT MAY WE NEVER FORGET OUR PLACE... GOD IS GOD AND WE ARE NOT... BUT WE ARE BEING FORMED IN HIS IMAGE, AS WE YIELD AND SUBMIT TO THE HOLY SPIRIT.

COLOSSIANS 3:1-17 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION

THIS IS HOW WE CAN COME TO A PLACE WHERE WE CAN FINALLY FILTER THE NOISE AND HEAR THE VOICE OF GOD SPEAK...