

# TTT 396. "Your Voice Matters" Tips for new and inexperienced speakers. Part 1. 07 January 2025

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## Teaching Tip 396 | "Your Voice Matters" - Tips for new and inexperienced speakers. Part 1 - Your Voice matters. | Malcolm Cox

### Introduction

Do you believe your voice *matters*? The most significant barrier to becoming someone God can use to speak His Word to the blessing of many is not a lack of experience or a paucity of technique. The highest hurdle to overcome is believing that your voice *matters*. Therefore, before we encounter our first tip, I want to say a few words about the value of your voice.

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### Your voice matters

There is an old saying about preaching and teaching Scripture. It goes something like:

"Preaching is truth through personality".

*No one* has your unique blend of experiences, character, personality and convictions. Give one of the beatitudes to 5 different people, and you will hear five very different lessons. The variety is important. No one interpreter has the capacity to divine all the various interpretations and applications of Scripture.

There are a little under 5 million podcasts on Spotify. Why so many? One could equally ask, why so few? With over 8 billion people alive on the Earth right now, there is plenty of capacity for more podcasts, YouTube videos, and the rest.

It has to be acknowledged that some people are rather fond of the sound of their own voice, and may not be gifted by God to be public preachers or teachers. This series is not for them. It is for you -- the insecure, the nervous, the unsure, the reticent and inexperienced.

Therefore, I urge you to engage with this series and become a 'voice' for God by offering Him your voice, your personality, but God's Word.

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## Reflection

Your voice matters because God has uniquely equipped you to reach others in ways no one else can.

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## Question

What unique combination of experiences, personality, and convictions has God given you, and how might these equip you to share His truth in a way that no one else can?

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## Additional Scriptures

Romans 12.6; 1 Corinthians 12.4-5; Philippians 4.13; 1 Peter 4.10

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God bless, Malcolm

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