

WHAT IS PREACHING?

Human presentation through the Holy Spirit's power of God's acts of salvation through Jesus Christ.

True Christian preaching interprets the meaning of God's acts into contemporary contexts.

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Jesus' Message of Repentance

Matthew 4:17

*From that time on Jesus began to preach,
"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."*

Matthew 12:41

*The men of Nineveh will stand up at the
judgment with this generation and condemn it;
for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and
now one greater than Jonah is here.*

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Jesus' Ministry to Those in Need

Healing – Matthew 11:5

The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor.

Hope - Matthew 24:14

And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

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ANYONE – *Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went. Acts 8:4*

MISSIONARIES – When Silas & Timothy came from Macedonia, Paul devoted himself exclusively to preaching, testifying to the Jews that Jesus was the Christ. Acts 18:5

CLERGY – *In the same way, the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel. I Corinthians 9:14*

PASTORS – For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel. I Corinthians 1:17

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GOSPEL – *[Christ sent Paul] to preach the gospel—
not with words of human wisdom, lest the cross of
Christ be emptied of its power. I Corinthians 1:17*

GOD'S GLORY – My message and my preaching were
not with wise and persuasive words, but with a
demonstration of the Spirit's power. I Corinthians 2:4

THE WHOLE COUNSEL OF GOD – For Moses has
been preached in every city. Acts 15:21

You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything
that would be helpful to you. Acts 20:20

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You will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

Paul ... traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia. Acts 16:6

Boldly & without hindrance he preached the kingdom of God & taught about the Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 28:31

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Preaching from your Pastor – Isaiah 50:4

Seeking an instructed tongue

Seeking the word that sustains the weary

Seeking continued growth in the word

Listening to a Sermon

Subject/Theme: *Foolishness of Preaching*

Scripture: *Selected*

Introduction: *Secular – Whitney Houston*

Explanation: *Why study this topic – Annual Meeting/Easter*

Proposition: *Preaching can be more effective...*

Main Points: *Gospels, Church, Your Pastor*

Key Word: *Plural noun used to link main points Examples*

Sub Points: *Grace, Truth, Ministry to those in need*

Application/Illustration: *Prophecy Conference, Awana, YG*

Conclusion: *How should we respond to preaching?*

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Saving Faith – Acts 8:12

Commitment to Discipleship – Acts 14:21

Agitation – Acts 17:13

Mockery – Acts 17:18

CONCLUSION:

How should we respond to preaching?

1 Corinthians 15:1-2

Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand.

By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you.

Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

