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FCS1-4-09: A Life That Preaches

Preach: (Greek 2784 – *Romans 10:15*) kerusso kay-roos'-so of uncertain affinity; to **herald** (as a public crier), especially divine truth (the gospel):--preacher(-er), **proclaim, publish**.

Teach: (Greek 3100 – *Matthew 28:20*) matheteuo math-ayt-yoo'-o from 3101; intransitively, to become a pupil; transitively, **to disciple**, i.e. enrol as scholar:--be disciple, **instruct, teach**.

One part of a Christian's life is to be an ever ready teacher of the Gospel; the good news of Jesus Christ. God has chosen to spread the good news of eternal life by the testimonies given in His people.

1 Corinthians 1:18-21 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. 20 Where *is* the wise? where *is* the scribe? where *is* the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? 21 For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

Romans 10:12-15 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. 13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. 14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

When a person lives a life of what they preach, then that person has a good testimony. When a person lives their life differently from the things that they teach, they have a poor and unbelievable testimony. All believers in Christ should live a life that reflects the power and grace of God. This is how a life that is lived in holiness, preaches in testimony. When a person sees this testimony, they will ask why that person has this testimony or that they want what they have. Everyone that lives a good testimony of Christ should be ready to share why they have it.

1 Peter 3:15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and *be* ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

Colossians 4:3-6 Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds: 4 That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak. 5 Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. 6 Let your speech *be* always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

The Christian lives the same testimony every day. If any person receives the testimony of the Gospel that is lived before them, they also will seek God for salvation. Since God makes no difference of people according to their lineage or current belief, the testimony of the Gospel needs to be lived and shared to everyone. God wants all men to come to repentance and be saved.

Luke 8:5-15 A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. 6 And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. 7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. 8 And other fell on good ground, and



sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. 9 And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be? 10 And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.

11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. 12 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. 13 They on the rock *are they*, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.

14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and bring no fruit to perfection. 15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep *it*, and bring forth fruit with patience.

John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Every Christian has a commission from God to preach and teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Every believer can share of the things they have learned and experienced in Christ. Therefore, every believer has a commandment to preach and teach the Gospel based on what they know and understand to be true.

2 Timothy 2:24-26 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, 25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; 26 And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

Matthew 28:19-20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.



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Question 1

To preach may be defined as proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ.

True

False

True/False

Question 2

As described in 1 Corinthians 1:18-21, the preaching of the cross is not foolishness to the world.

True

False

True/False

Question 3

As described in Romans 10:11-15, how beautiful are the feet of them that preach

the _____ of _____.

Fill in blanks

Question 4

As described in 1 Peter 3:15, be ready always to give an answer to every person that asks you of a reason of the hope that is in you with _____ and _____.

Fill in blanks

Question 5

As described in Colossians 4:3-6, to give an answer to every man, we should:

Let your speech be always with grace.

Walk in wisdom.

Love the world.

Redeem the time.

Multiple choice (Multiple answers)

Question 6

As described in 2 Peter 3:9, the Lord is slack concerning his promise.

True

False

True/False



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Question 7

As described in 2 Timothy 2:24-26, the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be:

Rebellious.

Patient.

Apt to teach.

Gentle unto all men.

Multiple choice (Multiple answers)

Question 8

As described in Mark 16:15, Christians are to go into all the world and preach

the _____ to every _____ .

Fill in blanks

Question 9

As described in Matthew 28:19-20, as part of our Christian testimony, we must teach others the gospel of Jesus Christ.

True

False

True/False



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