

HOMILETICS – THE ART OF PREACHING

THREE TYPES OF SERMONS

1. TEXTUAL

- **ALL IN ONE TEXT** – All of your sermon will come from one text of scripture.

2. TOPICAL

- **ONE TOPIC** – Your message will relate to a specific topic from the Word of God.
- **SEVERAL DIFFERENT SCRIPTURES** – You will use several scripture references to relate your topic.

3. EXPOSITORY

- **A ROW OR PASSAGE OF SCRIPTURES** – You take your message from one area of the scriptures.

SERMON STRUCTURE

THREE ABSOLUTES

- 1) Tell them what you are going to tell them.
- 2) Tell them.
- 3) Tell them what you just told them.

TITLE

THEME

INTRODUCTION – Collecting your audience into the palm of your hand.

I. FIRST MAIN DIVISION

- A. Subdivision and Comment
- B. Subdivision and Comment

II. SECOND MAIN DIVISION

- A. Subdivision and Comment
- B. Subdivision and Comment

III. THIRD MAIN DIVISION

- A. Subdivision and Comment
- B. Subdivision and Comment

IV. CONCLUSION

- A. Brief Summary
- B. Meditation Time
- C. Altar Response

TITLE

FAITH SERIES – FAITH AND WORKS

THEME: WHAT FAITH IS...

INTRODUCTION: TELL THEM WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO TELL THEM.

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| I. FIRST MAIN DIVISION
A. Subdivision and Comment
B. Subdivision and Comment | FAITH IS A MEASURE – ROM 12:3
Given to every man
Enough to get saved
Illustration |
| II. SECOND MAIN DIVISION
A. Subdivision and Comment
B. Subdivision and Comment | FAITH IS A FRUIT – GAL 5:22
In the form of faithfulness
Byproduct of walking with God
Illustration |
| III. THIRD MAIN DIVISION
A. Subdivision and Comment
B. Subdivision and Comment | FAITH IS A GIFT – 1 COR 12:7-9
One cannot earn it
God lends His to you
Illustration |
| IV. CONCLUSION – TELL THEM WHAT YOU JUST TOLD THEM
Review the main points above and how they can be applied to the believers' lives right now. | |

ALTAR – Give people the opportunity to respond.

HOW TO PREPARE A TEACHING SESSION

2 TIMOTHY 2:15

STUDY WELL - DO YOUR HOMEWORK

- 1) Pray (maybe fast) to prepare your mind and heart.
- 2) Choose your subject (demons, finances, healing, faith, prayer, etc.).
- 3) Choose your theme (what aspect of the subject – your punch line).
- 4) Decide what you want the Word to do (2 Timothy 3:16):
 - a. Doctrine (instructions or belief)
 - b. Reproof (conviction of sin)
 - c. Correction (discipline, obedience)
 - d. Instruction (training, equipping for a specific job)
- 5) Determine the delivery to be used:
 - a. Share (casual testifying or sharing from the heart)
 - b. Teach (step-by-step instructions)
- 6) List any illustrations or testimonies you plan to use.
- 7) Use Nave's Topical Bible or Strong's Concordance to choose about 10 good scriptures.
- 8) Write down all testimonies and scriptures being used.
- 9) Meditate on these – remember your theme and style of delivery.
- 10) Select at least 3 (but not more than 5) of these scriptures.
- 11) Put these “selected” items in the “Sermon Structure” skeleton.
- 12) That's it! You've created a good teaching outline. Now practice it by preaching it to yourself until you can fit it into the allotted speaking time.

DELIVERY DON'TS

- 1) Don't correct the flock in any way. This is the responsibility of the pastor (father-like one), not the elder brothers.
- 2) Don't make excuses about the time restraints, conditions, or atmosphere of the meeting.
- 3) Don't be a jokester or a tyrant.
- 4) Don't belittle yourself if you make a mistake.
- 5) Never use any shady sayings, illustrations, or slang (which would include human comments that would belittle others, such as "PMS", weight issues, cultural issues, or other people's mistakes).