

Sermon Passage: _____

Date: _____

Sermon Preacher: _____

Elder Scripture Reading: _____

Sermon Title: _____

I. Introduction

- A. Context – Write the main ideas that provide background for the sermon text.

- B. Thesis or Proposition – What is the pastor trying to prove?

- C. Enumeration – How many points (or proofs) will be provided?

- D. Exposition – What are the main points (or proofs)?

1. The true Christian in Jesus Christ
2. The true Christian God and God's people
3. The true Christian God's Word

Introduction Scripture References

List any additional
passages pastor
may mention:

II. Main Points (or proofs)

A. Point 1: The true Christian in Jesus Christ

Make note of what you learn about real belief in Christ:

1. Sub-points – What evidence is provided that supports point 1? (*Hint ~ Fill in the blanks and make notes about the these clarifying points.*)

a. The _____ of believing

b. The _____ of believing

c. The _____ of believing

2. Application – What do I do with this information? (*Have YOU believed? If so, do YOU rejoice?*)

Point 1 Scripture References

List any additional passages pastor may mention:

B. Point 2: The true Christian God and God's people.

How are love for God and love for His people inseparably linked?

1. Sub-points – What evidence is provided that supports point 2? (*Hint ~ Fill in the blanks and make notes on the true believer's love.*)

a. The true believer loves the _____.

b. The true believer loves the Father's _____.

2. Application – What do I do with this information? (*Hint ~ Fill in the blanks based on what you have learned.*)

a. Our dependence on God should provoke us to _____ Him more when I see how much He has provided for me in Christ!

b. Our interdependence on one another should provoke our love for _____ when I see how much I need other believers in the church and how much they need me!

Point 2 Scripture References

List any additional passages pastor may mention:

A. Point 3: The true Christian God's Word.

What does John clarify (make clear) in this verse?

1. Sub-points – What evidence is provided that supports point 3?

(Hint ~ Fill in the blanks and make notes on how John gives clarity.)

a. The clarifying _____

b. The clarifying _____

2. Application – What do I do with this information? *(Hint ~ What*

must you evaluate and embrace?)

Evaluate: _____

Embrace: _____

**Point 3 Scripture
References**

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additional
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III. Conclusion

Three inseparable characteristics of the true Christian:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



Scripture for Further Study

Suggestion: Meditate on some of the following passages each day of the coming week.

1. The gospel command to repent and believe in Jesus Christ to be saved:

Mk 1:15; Jn 3:16-18, 36; 14:6; 20:30-31; Lk 24:46-47; Acts 2:38; 4:12;
16:30-31; 17:30-31; Rom 1:16-17; 10:9-10; Eph 2:8-9

2. The divine work of regeneration or being born again by God:

Dt 30:6; Jerm 31:31-34; Ezek 11:19-20; 36:22-27; 37:1-14; Jn 1:12-13; 3:1-8; 6:63; Eph 2:4-5; Titus 3:5; James 1:18; 1 Jn 2:29; 3:9; 4:7; 5:1, 4, 18; 2 Cor 5:17-18; 1Pet 1:3

3. The mark of the true believer in loving one another as seen in 1 John:

2:10; 3:10, 11, 14, 18, 23; 4:7-8, 11-12, 19, 21; 5:1

4. The inseparable link between loving God and obeying His word:

Deut 6:2, 5; 10:12; 11:1, 13, 22; Josh 22:5; 23:6, 11; Matt 22:37-39; Jn 14:21, 23; 2 John 6

Conclusion Scripture References

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passages pastor
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