

PREACH THE WORD **(2 Timothy 4:1-5)**

I. THE MANDATE TO PREACH (2 Tim. 4:1-4)

A. The SERIOUS CHARGE and ACCOUNTABILITY of God's Mandate (4:1)

1. What does "*therefore*" point back to?
2. What does "*I charge you*" mean?
3. Who are pastors charged "*before*"?
4. Why should Bible teachers take this charge seriously?

Principle to remember: You must remember _____ you are ultimately accountable to and seek to be faithful and please God, not men!

B. The SUBJECT of God's Mandate... "Preach the Word" (4:2a)

1. What is the method to be used? "preach" (kerusso) -
 2. What is the message to be preached?
 3. Why is this the mandate?
 4. Has this mandate ever changed?
- Why is it important to apply a literal hermeneutic & rightly divide the Word? (2 Timothy 2:15)
 - Why is it important to recognize trans-dispensational principles?
 - What must Bible teachers in "doctrinal" churches beware of?

Principle to remember: Embracing the authority & sufficiency of the WOG for salvation in all 3 tenses/phases should compel the Bible expositor to preach the _____ of Scripture in its _____ while trusting the Holy Spirit to use God's truths in human hearts, beginning with the Gospel.

C. The SCOPE of God's Mandate to "Preach the Word" (4:2b)

1. **As to its TIME...** "**be ready in season, out of season**" What does this mean and require?
2. **As to the POSTURE ...** "**convince, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and teaching.**"
 - a. Positively, you are to _____ ... using the WOG.
 - b. Negatively, you are to _____ ... using the WOG.
 - c. Personally, you are to _____... using the WOG.

- How is this to be done? Why is this necessary?
- What does rebuke without teaching lead to?
- What does teaching without practical applications & challenges result in?

D. The SOBERNESS of God’s Mandate to “Preach the Word”. (4:3-4)

1. Why is this mandate so urgent & needed? (4:3)
2. What does “sound” doctrine mean?
3. When people reject sound doctrine, do they cease church-going and teaching?
4. What determines the spiritual diet people receive?
5. How can one discern if they have ears that desire to be tickled?
6. When one rejects the truth, what do they replace it with?

II. THE MANNER OF PREACHING ... EXPOSITORY PREACHING

Haddon Robinson... “Expository preaching is the communication of _____, derived from and transmitted through a _____, _____, and _____ study of a passage in its _____, which the Holy Spirit first applies to the personality and experience of the _____, then through him to his _____.” (Biblical Preaching, p. 20)

The TWO KINDS of Expository Preaching.

1. _____ Exposition – verse by verse exposition through a book of the Bible.
2. _____ Exposition – verse by verse exposition of various passages of Scripture in their context, explaining a topic, category of doctrine, or biographical in nature. Why don’t more pastors and teachers do expository preaching?

III. FOUR MANDATES TO APPLY (2 Timothy 4:5)

A. What are they? “But you ...”

1. _____.
2. _____.
3. _____.
4. _____.

B. How does this apply to ... the teacher of God’s Word? The hearer of God’s Word? The unsaved?