

Preparation and Delivery of Sermons

Lesson 1 Ministerial Perspectives

I. THE TWO MAJOR ASPECTS OF PASTORAL MINISTRY:

- A. Pastoral/administrative work
- **B.** Preaching

II. THE TWO MAJOR REQUIREMENTS FOR PREACHING:

A. Good preparation.

- **1.** Biblically sound.
- **2.** Good organization of thought. (Clear, systematic, logical)
- **3.** Adequate documentation with Scriptures and authorities.
- **4.** Timely selection of subject matter. (A clear point)
- 5. Solid content.
- **6.** A positive approach.
- **7.** Personal application.
- **8.** Correct speech and good use of language.
- **9.** Good personal appearance. (Clothes, shoes, weight, deodorant, breath)

B. Good delivery.

- **1.** Connect to the audience. (Eye contact, relate material)
- **2.** Passion/heart. (Excitement, not dry or sterile)
- **3.** Good voice control.
- **4.** Clearly audible.
- **5.** Free of pathologies/distractions. (Straw-man putdowns, lisps, monotone voice, quirks, rudeness, crudeness, rabbit chasing)
- **6.** Good gestures. (Posture, movement, hands)
- **7.** Freedom in the preacher. (Not intimidated, but not cocky)
- **8.** Adequate color. (Illustrations, humor)
- **9.** Awareness and respect of time.