

Preaching & Homiletics In A Post-Pandemic World

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INTRODUCTION

Effective biblical preaching takes place when you get the Word out of the “then” and into the “now.” Life-changing preaching occurs when you move from the world of “wasness” into the world of “isness,” taking the principles of God’s Word out of Jerusalem and into the zip codes of your own town. Preachers today who are making an impact in the lives of people have discovered how to bring balance to their sermon preparation and delivery...standing on the razor’s edge. Authentic biblical preachers stand in a difficult position - on that razor’s edge -being pulled from both directions. The effective preacher is a person of serious study and one who plugs into the contemporary human situation and gets the Word out of then into now. ~Joel Gregory

I. JESUS AS AN “IN PERSON” PREACHER & PARISHIONER

Luke 2:46

Then, after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions.

Matthew 21:12

And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all those who were buying and selling in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who were selling doves.

Matthew 21:23

When He entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to Him while He was teaching, and said, “By what authority are You doing these things, and who gave You this authority?”

Mark 11:11

Jesus entered Jerusalem and came into the temple; and after looking around at everything, He left for Bethany with the twelve, since it was already late.

Mark 11:15

*Then they *came to Jerusalem. And He entered the temple and began to drive out those who were buying and selling in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who were selling doves;*

Luke 19:45

Jesus entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling,

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John 2:14

And He found in the temple those who were selling oxen and sheep and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables.

John 8:2

Early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people were coming to Him; and He sat down and began to teach them.

Mark 11:27

*They *came again to Jerusalem. And as He was walking in the temple, the chief priests and the scribes and the elders *came to Him,*

John 10:23

it was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple in the portico of Solomon.

Matthew 21:14

And the blind and the lame came to Him in the temple, and He healed them.

Mark 12:35

And Jesus began to say, as He taught in the temple, "How is it that the scribes say that the Christ is the son of David?"

John 7:28

Then Jesus cried out in the temple, teaching and saying, "You both know Me and know where I am from; and I have not come of Myself, but He who sent Me is true, whom you do not know.

John 8:20

These words He spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one seized Him, because His hour had not yet come.

John 18:20

Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world; I always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together; and I spoke nothing in secret.

Luke 22:53

While I was with you daily in the temple, you did not lay hands on Me; but this hour and the power of darkness are yours."

John 5:14

*Afterward Jesus *found him in the temple and said to him, "Behold, you have become well; do not sin anymore, so that nothing worse happens to you."*

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John 7:14

But when it was now the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and began to teach.

Luke 4:16-21

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, Because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, And recovering of sight to the blind, To set at liberty them that are bruised,

And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

A. JESUS' "IN PERSON" PREACHING FOCUSED ON:

1. GOSPEL TRUTH
2. GIVING TRANSFORMATION
3. "GOOD TROUBLE"

II. JESUS AS A "VIRTUAL WORLD" PREACHER

Mark 12:37

David therefore himself calleth him Lord; and whence is he then his son? And the common people heard him gladly.

Mark 13:1-2

"And as he went out of the temple, one of his disciples saith unto him, Master, see what manner of stones and what buildings are here! And Jesus answering said unto him, Seest thou these great buildings? there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down."

Luke 5:3

"And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.

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Matthew 5:1-2

And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him: and he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

Matthew 6:26-30

“Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?”

John 20:26-28

“And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.”

A. JESUS’ “VIRTUAL” (NON TEMPLE) PREACHING INVOLVED:

1. FLEXIBILITY
2. RELATABILITY
3. DEMONSTRABILITY
4. SIMPLICITY
5. AUTHENTICITY