

Preaching the Gospel – Based on Humility

8/15/26

- Today – Opportunity to give a Bible study
 - Comment – This presentation is a follow-up to my Bible study last Saturday
(You did not need to hear that Bible study – to gain something from this message)
 - Title – “Preaching the Gospel – Based on Humility”
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- Quick reminders about last week
 - Things changed during the time of Constantine I became Roman emperor – 312 to 337
 - When Roman emperor Constantine I “converted” to Christianity, that religion exploded
 - Let’s look at our world in 2026
 - People in the world 8.3 billion
 - Many professing Christians
 - Christianity 2.4 billion
 - Islam 1.9 billion
 - Hinduism 1.2 billion
 - Buddhism 520 million
 - How is God preaching His gospel to the 8.3 billion people?
 - How Do You Preach the Gospel?
 1. By Your Example
 2. By Your Prepared Words
 3. Being a Conduit for the Father and Son
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- Last week, I read Luke 21:12-15 about spontaneous words
 - At the time, I mentioned – that those verses could be a “tremendous blessing OR a horrible trap”
 - Although I was at the time stressing spontaneous words – that warning also obviously applies to prepared words
- So how can prepared words and spontaneous word – be a horrible trap?
 - Some people are convinced – their prepared words – are definitely from God
 - Some people are convinced – their spontaneous words – are definitely from God
- Excuse for boldness because – people feel that they are doing God’s service

John 16:2 whoever kills you will think he offers God service
Acts 22:19-20 Paul imprisoned – beat – and participated in the death of people
 (Acts 7:58 and Acts 8:3)
2 John 9-12 difference between – Diotrefes and Demetrius

· Today – 2 examples

· Example of Moses

Exod. 3:11 “who am I that I should go to Pharaoh?”
Exod. 4:10 Oh my Lord, I am not eloquent neither before nor since You have spoken
to Your servant, but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue
13 Oh my Lord, please send by the hand of whomever else You may send
14 the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses
Exod. 32:10 “I will make you a great nation”
11-13 Moses rejected the Lord’s offer
Deut. 3:23-27 Moses was later denied a request – due to his mistake

· Example of Paul

2 Cor. 11:20 many leaders – use the approaches of the devil
bondage – devouring – taking – exalting – hitting
24 stripes
25 rods – stoned
26 perils
from water
from robbers
from own countrymen
from gentiles
in the city
in the wilderness
in the sea
from false brethren
2 Cor. 12:7-8 a thorn in the flesh
9 the Lord – “My strength is made perfect in weakness”