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What is Expository Preaching? - posted by inotof (), on: 2006/5/27 13:59

Hello all,
 I have a question for those out there that minister. I have heard the term "Expository Preaching" in recent months and while I think I have an idea of what exactly that term means (e.g. preaching that is the result of exegesis) I wonder if perhaps someone could enlighten me with an example of an expository minister that might have a message or two on this site. Also,
 I have come to understand that there are different types of messages as well (topical, word studies, those with prophetic implications) would anyone have an example of what an "un-expository message would be? I'm not seeking to stir controversy, I glory that Christ is preached at all, I simply feel I could better understand the terms if I saw or heard the dynamic that makes them such. Thanks a bunch. Dave

Re: What is Expository Preaching? - posted by Christinyou (), on: 2006/5/27 14:54

WWW.EXPOSITORY.ORG, Preaching-Resources

Expository preaching deals with the structure of the text. It wrestles with the text to the point that you can understand thoroughly what it is saying. And then reproduces it in language understandable by your hearers. That's the work of an expository preacher.

IN Christ: Phillip

Re: What is Expository Preaching? - posted by MR_CPK (), on: 2006/5/27 15:01

Expository preaching differs from topical preaching in that the former concentrates on a specific text and discusses topics covered therein, whereas the latter concentrates on a specific topic and references texts covering the topic. Chuck Smith and most Calvary Chapel ministers use this method. Charles Spurgeon, A.W. Pink, and John MacArthur are also generally classed as expository preachers. Hope that helps.

Re: What is Expository Preaching? - posted by Logic, on: 2006/5/27 18:39

inotof wrote:

Quote:
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 an example Expository preaching would be Carter Conlon, and an example topical preaching would be David Wilkerson.

Re: - posted by Graftedbranc, on: 2006/5/30 19:09

In my homiletics class in Bible school we learned expository preaching.

Expository preaching takes a certain text, expounds the text, illustrates the text, applies the text, and appropriates the blessing.

It seeks to extract the meaning of a certain text, puts it in its context, and then applies it to the hearers.

Topical preaching on the other hand may take many different related scriptures with a similar topic. Topics such as faith, prayer, justification, the Blood of Christ, or other topics.

Martine Lloyd Jones was an expository preacher and his method is expounded in "Preachers and Preaching"

I would say Watchman Nee tended to be more topical as most of his books and his messages begin with a collection of related verses and his exposition is based on the aggregate of them. He saw the Bible as a whole and operated on the principle that scripture interprets scripture and to gain the full measure of revelation, one must compare all the related v

erses.

His preaching style and method is shown in "The Ministry of the Word" and he placed a great emphasis on the constitution of the preacher.

Most preaching nowadays however just takes a verse or two as a spring board and launches into whatever the preacher wants to talk about. And it usually ends up not having anything to do with the text. Usually the scripture is just a spring board to psychology, to the latest agenda of the church, or some other thing. The people think they have heard a biblical sermon when in reality they have not.

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