

Why Persevere in Biblical Preaching?

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J. I. Parker "Why Preach?" from "Preaching" C. M. Logan

Deut. 8:3

Because the people you preach to need it to live.

Biblical preaching is the primary means bringing God's word to man.

Four convictions and motivating reasons:

- 1) The God's **breathness** of Scripture (2 Tim.3:16)
 - 1) The living and active of the Word of God (Heb. 4:12; Hebrews 3:7 "HS says...")
 - 2) expository
 - 3) The integrity of dealing with the text
 - 1) Don't suit text for our own purposes.
 - 2) to create a space for God to speak
- 2) The **understandableness** of Scripture
 - 1) He want to communicate with us for a purpose in the way we can understand
 - 2) 2 Tim. 2:15 -
 - 3) no room for arrogance, but confidence in understanding the scriptures
- 3) The **usefulness** of Scripture
 - 1) the profitability - ppl by believing and obeying
 - 2) James 4
 - 3) God can be trusted to set an agenda for your preaching, to set an agenda for your usefulness.
- 4) The **efficacy** of Scripture
 - 1) Is. 55:10-11
 - 2) initiate faith Romans 10
 - 3) grow
 - 4) sanctifies
 - 5) searches
 - 6) convicts
 - 7) refreshes
 - 8) Ps. 19:7
 - 9) it's God's intention to nurture us to flourish