



Evangelistic Expository Preaching Workbook

“How to build an Evangelistic Sermon”

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“What is the evangelistic sermon?”

One of the greatest tools for the servant of God is the development of the expository evangelistic sermon. The evangelistic sermon is both divine and dedicated to accomplish what God desires it to do in the earth. It is divine in that it first saves the one who is called to proclaim it. It is dedicated in that God has insisted on using it as the only means of preaching to the Lost. The word evangelistic comes from the Greek word, “*euangélion*” meaning the good news! It is the gospel that we preach! Today’s workshop will discuss this in three parts;

1. What is the sermon?
2. What the sermon must do?
3. How to preach the sermon for a verdict?

Romans 1:16-

16 For I am not ashamed of **the gospel of Christ**; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

GOSPEL (*euangélion*)

The gospel of Jesus Christ is the joyous good news of salvation in Christ. The Greek word translated as gospel means "a reward for bringing good news." In Isaiah 40:9, the prophet proclaimed the "good tidings" that God would rescue His people from captivity.

In His first sermon in Nazareth, Jesus used a passage from the Old

Testament to characterize the spirit of His ministry: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor" (Luke 4:18).

The gospel is not a new plan of salvation; it is the fulfillment of God's plan of salvation which was begun in Israel, was completed in Jesus Christ, and is made known by the church.

- The gospel is the saving work of God in His Son Jesus Christ and a call to faith in Him (Romans 1:16-17).
- Jesus is more than a messenger of the gospel; He is the gospel.
- The good news of God was present in His life, teaching, and atoning death. Therefore, the gospel is both a historical event and a personal relationship.

When we proclaim this wonderful story we must proclaim it in its entirety. The evangelistic, expository sermon is a gift from God given to his servant to explain the good news of the love of God for man. When we preach the gospel we do so with an urgency that people may believe.

I. The Gospel Must be believed

Faith in the gospel is more than an intellectual agreement to a theoretical truth. Faith in the gospel is trust placed in a living person, Jesus Christ. When the apostle Paul warned Christians of the dangers of following "another gospel" (2 Corinthians 11:4), he was reminding them that any gospel different than the one he preached was no gospel at all.

In the second century, the word gospel came to be used for certain writings in which the "good news" or story of Jesus Christ was told. These writings were written in the first century, but they became known as "gospels" much later. Mark was the first to write such a story (Mark 1:1), and in so doing he invented a literary form that we call a "gospel." The New Testament has four versions of the one gospel: the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

II. Why we proclaim the Gospel

Because Jesus Himself preached the good news, we must preach what Jesus Preached.

Matthew 4:23

23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

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Romans 1:16

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Ephesians 1:13-14

13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise,

III. The four elements of the *expository evangelistic sermon*

1. *In the expository evangelistic sermon salvation is proclaimed*

Rom. 3:23

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

Rom. 5:12

Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

Rom. 6:23

For the wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal Life

2. *In the expository evangelistic sermon there is the need for as savior*

Jn 3:16-18

For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believes in him shall not perish but have everlasting life.

For God did not send his son into the world to condemn the world but that the world through him might be saved.

He that believes on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

3. In the expository evangelistic sermon anyone can be saved**Acts. 2:21**

And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Rom. 10:13

For whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

4. In the expository evangelistic sermon is a clear presentation of how to be saved**Rom. 10:9**

That if thou will confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead thou shall be saved. For with the heart man believes unto righteous; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture say, whosoever

believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

Acts 3:19

Repent ye therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.

III. *In the expository evangelistic sermon is the finality of the gospel*

It is true that without the preaching of the gospel, mankind will perish.

Romans 10:13

13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

“What the sermon must do”

The sermon we preach must be laced with the gospel. Anything other than the gospel is unacceptable. There are two types of sermons known to the pulpit today, evangelistic and discipleship.

Discipleship sermons are proclaimed to build, rebuke, encourage, speak prophetically, and build the body of Christ. These are to be done by the overseer of the local body or his designee. Evangelistic sermons are for the associate ministers, teachers, and or evangelist to win the lost with the good news of Jesus Christ. Today we want to look at the evangelistic sermon, and what it must do.

1. The gospel must be accepted by faith; it is the word of God.

Romans 10:16

16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report?

1 Thessalonians 2:13

13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

2. The gospel must dwell in you richly; it is the word of God.

Colossians 3:16

16 Let the **word of Christ** dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

3. The gospel must be preached; it is the word of God.

Romans 16:25-26

25 Now to him that is of power to establish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,

26 But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

4. The gospel must reconcile; it is the word of God.

2 Corinthians 5:19-20

19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

Because of this gift we must proclaim it with great power; it has the ability to save dying men and women;

- We must preach the word

- We must read the Word
- We must live the word
- We must share the word
- We must hold on to the Word
- We must not change the word
- We must not discard the word.
- The Word is Holy
- The Word is true
- The Word is alive
- The Word is Gods instruction for the Church.
- Preach the Gospel, Live the gospel, teach the gospel it is the power of God unto salvation.

In developing the expository evangelistic sermon there are a few textual elements the preacher must look for;

1. Can the sinner see their condition in the message?
2. Can the sinner see the Love of God in the text?
3. Can the sinner identify with the character or characters in the text?
4. Does the scripture give hope to the sinner?
5. Does the text fit the crowd who has come to hear it?
6. Has the preacher spent time in prayer, laboring over the text?

7. Has the preacher rehearsed the text in the study to make sure that it is simple and plain to understand?

In doing these things the preacher will open the eyes of the would be followers of Jesus Christ.

An Example of an evangelistic sermon is as follows;

“Preaching for a Verdict”

In building the expository evangelistic sermon there are a series of things to review, they are as follows;

Roland Allen the author of *Missionary Methods St. Paul's or ours* has tremendous insight into the key principles of the evangelistic preaching. He examines Apostle Paul's sermons in the book of acts and extracts the concept that the apostle had a focus in mind when he preached to those who were not of the Christian faith. This focus was as follows:

1. To explain the nature of God, his living and loving.
2. The facts of the life of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.
3. The death and resurrection of Jesus.
4. The meaning and the power to supply the spiritual needs of men.
5. The folly of idolatry and the way of salvation.

6. The necessity of repentance and faith.

7. The doctrine of the kingdom and the nearness of judgment for all men.

Mr. Allen believes that there is a direct difference between synagogue preaching to believers and preaching to those who have not been converted. The author notes the difference between the apostle's speech at Antioch and his speech at Lystra. In the Antioch address it was noted that the Apostle Paul's sermon was complete and directed toward believers in the synagogue.

In contrast to this the sermon in Lystra and Athens were directed to non-believers and conducted outside. There is little doubt that whenever the apostle Paul preached he preached for a verdict.

This denotes the preacher's motive of his preaching. We see this example of verdict preaching in the life of Phillip one of the early church itinerant evangelist preachers, who when he preached in Samaria decisions were made for Jesus. (Acts 8:5-8) (Acts 8:26-38)

It should also be noted in these examples that the preachers preaching was usually cross cultural in targeting and that it was done under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit directed toward a specific people, for a specific purpose at a specific place and a specific time. The preacher's evangelistic message can be summed up in a few words;

- It is Christ centered and verdict directed!
- It has Christ compassion through out!
- It is simple and pointed to Calvary!

“It was John Wesley who said "the itinerant should take their text and make a bee-line for the cross.” This is what evangelistic preaching is directed to do. Have those in attendance make a decision for and about the gospel of Jesus Christ. The need to rescue the lost soul from hell and its terrible consequences are very real and prevalent in the mind of this preacher, therefore a verdict must be reached.

1. The message of the preacher must have a verdict
2. The message of the preacher must tell the price of sin
3. The message of the preacher must deal with the cost of sin
4. The message of the preacher must tell the story of the cross
5. Without the story of the cross, there is no good news
6. The message must also contain the story of the resurrection, without the good news of Jesus concurring death, there is no victory beyond the grave.
7. Finally the message should remind the listeners that at the right hand of the Father “Jesus is sitting” in all power and authority, preparing to come again for us.

This message should be centered in one of the New Testament “gospel genres”. (Matthew, Mark, Luke or John) This help the preacher to lift up Jesus, in a great way.

These 7 elements of gospel preaching help the preacher to center on the good news of Jesus Christ. May the Lord bless your ministries and give you great grace as you labor in the word to bring him honor and glory through advancing the Kingdom of God on earth.

There are 3 additional “Essentials” they are as follows;

- The Introduction of the sermon
- The body of the sermon
- The conclusion of the sermon

The introduction explains what you are about to tell them, and the body reveals what have to tell them, and the conclusion validates what you have already told them. These three elements make the sermon complete. Expository preaching is a systematic approach to explaining a text while working within the text. It focuses on a select passage, its content, contextualization and meaning while making a coherent application to modern times. The preachers job is to make the text live, keep it simple and stay true to the original meaning of the text.

To do this type of work it is good to obtain good commentaries, for New Testament historical and background data, as well as word study bibles so you can properly understand what the meaning of words in the original language were. (The bible was originally written in Hebrew and Greek, and then later translated into English.)

“Lost in the House”

ST.LUKE 15: 8-10

One of the greatest facts about God is found in this chapter of the word of God. This truth is that which teaches us about the compassion and concern of Jesus Christ for all of humanity. The bible teaches that Jesus loves sinners and that he came to seek and to save that which is lost. The bible also teaches that he came not to save the righteous but to call sinners to repentance. Tonight we have the opportunity to see the master involved with humanity and demonstrating his concern and compassion for them.

Textual Observations:

The Woman's Property

- *Called a drachma-very expensive silver coin.*
- *Great sentimental value-wedding veil @ weddings & passed down from generation to generation.*
- *Important for survival-equivalent to 15 pence (4 pence was a day's wages) had the inscription of God upon it (sacred coin)*
- *Separated from her possession (lost in the house)*

God's Property

- *Humanity is lost in the earth/God's house (the earth is the lords and the fullness thereof).*
- *Humanity is God's property-very expensive to him (made in his image & likeness)*
- *Different than other creatures on earth. (Fish, reptiles, birds & insects)*

- *Sentimental to him. (Godly love Jn. 3:16)*
- *Humanity separated and lost from him. (Because of sin)*

When Adam & eve disobeyed God in the Garden of Eden they brought death and destruction upon mankind. This plague separated us from God, making every one that was ever created a sinner and a candidate for hell.

Example:

This is why we have crime, hatred, disease, sickness, pain, and suffering, sorrow, racism and death. The bible says that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. The bible says that there are none that are righteous no not one. The bible says that the wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life.

The Woman's urgency

- *She lights a candle to locate the fallen coin.*
- *She swept the house diligently/carefully to find the lost coin.*
- *Her method was to sweep then search in between action.*
- *She searched in the dark areas of the house.*

God's sense of urgency

- *God has lit a candle to locate where man has fallen.*
- *The candle is the gospel of Jesus Christ.*
- *God searches for man in the dark areas of this world!*
- *Drug houses, liquor stores, white houses, poor houses, rich houses, hospitals, jail houses, ghettos, and school houses. He is searching with a great urgency.*

Application:

(This light can be seen on the highways, in the classrooms, in textbooks & magazines, on TV at sporting events etc.)

Tonight you may be one of his lost valuables, lost in the dark areas of his house; perhaps you are covered in the dirt of the world's sin. (Alcoholism, substance abuse, gang activity, stealing, racism, pride, hatred, fornication, adultery, homosexuality, idolatry, rebellion or witchcraft.

If this is you, you are who he's looking for; Jesus is searching for you to save you from being lost eternally and to bring you into a right relationship with him. The Holy Spirit is sweeping the universe in search for the lost coins tonight. The Holy Spirit of God is tugging at your heart to get you to repent from sin and from being separated from God.

The Woman's Joy

- Came from locating the lost coin
- Came from making contact with the lost coin
- Came from restoring a relationship with her lost valuable.
- Came from calling friends and having them rejoice with her.

God's Joy

- God's great joy comes when he locates the sinner
- God's great joy comes when he makes contact with the sinner
- God's great joy comes when he restores the relationship with a sinner

The bible says that there is great rejoicing in heaven when one sinner repents and makes a decision to serve Jesus Christ. Repentance means to turn away from sin, be sorry for all you have done, change your ways and actions and have a change of heart.

Application and Testimony:

- One day not long ago, heaven rejoiced when this gang banger repented.
- One day not long ago, heaven rejoiced when this drug dealer repented.

- One day not long ago, heaven rejoiced when this liar repented.
- One day not long ago. Heaven rejoiced when this thief repented.
- One-day not long ago heaven rejoiced when this fornicator repented.
- One-day not long ago heaven rejoiced when this drive-by shooter repented.
- One day not long ago, heaven rejoiced when this menace of society repented.
- One day not long ago, heaven rejoiced when this inmate repented.
- One day not long ago, heaven rejoiced when this robber repented
- Heaven can rejoice over you tonight also, if you repent of your sins and come to Jesus.

Why repent?

- Because the bible says that repentance is necessary unto salvation. It was because of our sins that Jesus died upon the cross, and suffered for the sins of the world.
- God's way of restoring you into a right relationship with him was through the sacrifice of his only begotten son.
- When Jesus died for you he gave you chance to receive everlasting life, he took your penalty upon himself and paid your price for sin.
- Jesus died for you was buried in a borrowed tomb and rose early Sunday morning from the dead.



“The evangelistic sermon invitation”

The evangelism sermon invitation is the greatest part of the sermon. It is where an eternal decision is about to be made for or against Christ. If

the sermon has been properly proclaimed, and articulated with clarity, the hearer will be challenged to flee from sin and turn to Christ.

During this moment, spiritual warfare is taking place in the mind. The enemy, the world, and the flesh are at work trying to distract, tempt and sway the hearer to reject the good news. This is why we use the following weapon to invite them to Christ. “The Sword of the Spirit”. According to Apostle Paul, the Word of God “Rhema” in Ephesians 6:19 is the sword of the spirit. It is the spoken word that we use to combat the enemy. Because the word is the preachers only authority, we must use it when it is time to invite people to accept Christ after the evangelistic sermon. When we wield this sword we are using the weapon of God in the midst of the battle. It is what makes the enemy ‘back off’ and retreat.

Note:

- **The bible says** that God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believes in him shall not perish but have everlasting life.
- **The bible says** that God did not send his son into the world to condemn the world but that the world through him might be saved.
- **The bible says** that he that believes in Jesus Christ is not condemned, but he that does not is condemned already. Because he does not believe in the only begotten Son of God.
- **The bible says** that this is the record that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his son. He that has the son has life and he that has not the son has not life.

- **The bible say's** whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.
- **The bible says** that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead you shall be saved.

The bible say's is the authority of God; it is the word of God, proclaimed by the servant of God, in the hour of preaching.

Every invitation should include three things;

1. A call that makes you think
2. A call that makes you feel
3. A call that makes you to do something

“An evangelistic message preached or shared is not complete unless an invitation for salvation is given.”

ss Rhodes-BGEA

“Give the invitation early in the message and give it clearly. You must be crystal clear. Give the invitation with compassion, and with confidence. You are standing representing the Lord Jesus Christ, do it with Authority. If nobody responds, it doesn’t matter; the Holy Spirit is at work. You are not there to manufacture results. You are there as a servant of Jesus Christ.”

Bill Newman-Australia

“The heart of the Good news is the death burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The purpose of evangelistic preaching is to bring out the heart of God, so sinners can hear him and turn to Him in repentance and faith, being willing to follow and obey Him.”

Gottfried Osei-mensah-Ghana

“We must be clear about the fact of sin and be clear about what God has done for sinful man by giving His Son Jesus Christ, who shed His Blood for our Sins. We are calling lost people, men and women, boys and girls, to put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.”

Franklyn Graham-BGEA

“I have learned that quiet time before the Master is crucial when I am going into battle for Lost Souls. Evangelistic preaching is literally wielding the sword of the Spirit in the thoughts and ideas of the masses who are listening. I need to be spiritually prepared for battle in that

hour. My mind must be in tuned to the Spirit of God, and my heart must be so aligned that I want nothing but His words and actions to proceed from the pulpit.”

Angulus Wilson-USA



What Evangelistic preaching will do against satanic influence and intrusion.

Every week I preach through several books of the bible. On Sunday I preach through the gospel of Mark. On Thursday I preach through the book of Acts and again on Sunday morning I teach through the book of Genesis.

(This is a lot of scripture every week given to the children of God.)

However, instead of getting better in their struggles many are getting worse. I believe they are getting worse because they won't receive the preaching of the gospel neither will they come often enough to be made better by the word.

For the faithful few that attend, study, and apply the word to their lives I can see amazing things taking place! There is power in the word. I have watched them get off of drugs, I have watch them flee from the evil one, I have watched them change their minds and their thinking about who God is and what he has come to do in the earth.

Preaching is powerful and I believe God gives it to the preacher to grow, guide, feed, protect and warn the sheep about our enemy the evil one. (Ps.119:105)

It is preaching that makes unclear things clear. When it is used for God's kingdom it can literally shake the underworlds kingdom.

According to Universal calendar of the Church, New beginnings community church is living in the greatest spiritual battle ever known to man. The battle between good and evil, heaven and hell, God and Satan. Every believer and follower of Jesus Christ knows that we have

an enemy who seeks to kill steal and to destroy.

Satan is a powerful foe with the ability to deceive and to manipulate and even copycat that which God has used in the earth to redeem man

I believe that on both sides of the battle there are weapons used to conduct warlike results over the souls of men.

Paul alludes to the fact that Satan is able to launch methods of attacks against us. (Eph.6:10-15)

Paul tells us to stand against the wiles/methods.

He also informs us that we are to take with us the **SWORD** of the Spirit which is the word of God.

If this sword is the word of God it must be the preaching of the sword that makes it formidable in the face of the enemy.

Jesus went out preaching and casting out devils, the disciples went out preaching and casting out devils. (Mk. 1:35) He also sent out the twelve disciples to do what He had done in the earth. They came back after preaching the message with the report that they could cast out devils. (Mark 6:7-13)

Therefore this sword and this battle must be very real and extremely difficult to fight.

My research is designed to look at “preaching as spiritual warfare in the church.”

I believe that every day the devil is trying to influence people to reject the word of God, rebel against the plan of God, and question the authority of God’s word. We see this all in scripture from Genesis to Revelation that Satan opposes the Word of God.

I also believe that it is preaching that combats the lies about God's word. It is preaching that Pulls down the strong holds and tears up those things that raise themselves up against knowledge of God.

Paul said "2 Cor 10:4-6

"4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down **arguments** and **every high thing** that **exalts itself** against the **knowledge** of God, bringing **every thought** into captivity to the obedience of Christ."

NKJV"

I believe he was talking about the preaching ministry of the apostles here in this text. The Apostles understood that the enemy was at work in the Corinthian Church and in the world. Paul understood that Satanic subtleties was at work making people deny the truth of God's word, and even question the authority of the word. Instead of getting better, the people in the church were getting worse.

There is another unknown writer in the book of Hebrews who takes a look at the Word of God and raises the idea that the word is like a sword. He mentions in Hebrews 4: 12 for the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

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If preaching the word is what God intends for his children to do, and he gives unto them power to combat the evil one, as is mentioned in Mark 6:12, where Jesus gives the disciples power/authority of the unclean

spirits. Then the weapon of choice for the Christian, in our churches has to be the sword of the spirit which is the word of God. (Eph.6) If this is the case, then our churches should be places where those who are called by God to wield the sword of the Spirit should be thoroughly trained in the art of preaching so that they may be able to combat the wicked one who is lurking in the hearts and minds of individual, Or perhaps, hidden unconsciously to cause them to doubt the inerrant authority of God's holy word.

Through Preaching the messenger of the church should also be prepared to pull down satanic ideas that try and influence as many as possible to follow his train of thought or evil notions and ideas.

Preaching as spiritual warfare has the notion that every thought that enters the mind has three types of influences. There is the influence from the underworld, the world and the flesh. Biblical Preaching is called too and should be able can penetrate either world.

Preaching as spiritual warfare will help the local pastor to see his task as "casting out devils, and assisting the local congregations in their own spiritual formation. If we are engaging in battle each week, "Speaking the Word" of God into the world of ideas, then surely we must understand and know the depth of our spiritual in use.

I believe preaching has consequences as well. Because it is spiritual the devil attacks preachers.

Mark 6:14-28 tells the story about John Baptist who is beheaded because of message he preached about the king being in an adulterous relationship. Preaching caused Steven the Deacon to be stoned to death. Preaching cost Jesus his life in Jerusalem.

Biblical Preaching is Spiritual, and it has Spiritual power to do things in the hearts and the minds of people. God speaks through the foolishness of preaching (I cor.20-24) yet it has a frightening power.

People actually can hear God speaking to them through the preacher. It is in the sermon that the preacher gives instruction on how to be saved through the gospel, and how to combat the wicked one and how to avoid being a victim of his assaults.

Biblical preaching is therefore spiritual warfare and must be kept up to combat the lies that are in the hearts of Church members. Each week I see numerous visitors, and numerous church members, some doing better than most and others struggling to obey the word of God. Those that struggle can never seem to get past unbelief and or the authority of God's word.

I propose in this study a closer look at the manner in which biblical preaching can further help the congregation to understand what is actually taking place during their lives throughout the week and what is happening during the preaching moment to help them change their understanding about God and help them to be victorious against the underworld.