

1. Introduction

- a. Three Qualifications
 - i. This is not how to study or preach like Rey
 - 1) Rey is a nobody
 - 2) There are countless ways to study
 - 3) Preaching for long enough to have many mistakes
 - ii. This is not about how to speak better
 - 1) There's plenty of ways to get better at speaking—take a speech course
 - 2) Sure we might touch on the art of speaking (homiletics) but that's not the main point.
 - iii. This is not about knowing everything there is to know about studying and preaching
 - 1) We're taking a trip together

2. Why Study and Preach

- a. The Problem
 - i. "Study! And Preach the Word!"
 - 1) Why Study? Isn't that what teachers are for?
 - 2) Study what? Preach What?
 - 3) How?
 - ii. Study vs. Soaking it in
- b. 7 Reasons to Study Your Bible
 - i. God Focused
 - 1) Show Yourself Approved to God (2 Tim 2:15)
 - a) 1 Thes 2:4 Christians are already approved but this is something else
 - b) This is about being not-ashamed while handling the truth
 - ii. Battle Focused
 - 1) Always Ready (2 Tim 4:2)
 - a) In season and out of season
 - b) Titus 2:3 Women are told to be ready too!
 - 2) Accurate Doctrine (2 Tim 4:3-4)
 - a) People need it! (2 Tim 3:16)
 - 3) Armor of God (Eph 6:15)
 - a) We're to take all of it, would be bad if we didn't know how to use it (Eph 6:11)
 - 4) A Letter from God (Heb 1:1)
 - 5) Able to Expose (Heb 4:12)
 - a) Expose Satan's lies
 - b) Expose problems—our own and others'
 - 6) Answer Rightly (1 Pet 3:15; John 15:27)
 - a) Being SALT:
 - i) Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts
 - ii) Always be ready to make a defense

- iii) Let this defense happen to everyone who asks you to give an account
 - iv) Thoroughly done with gentleness and reverence.
 - c. Exposure and Proper Answering is Tied to Preaching
 - i. The Work of the Spirit
 - 1) Exposing Sin, Righteousness and Judgment (John 16:7-11)
 - ii. The Mandate to Preach
 - 1) 2 Tim 4:2
 - a) In and out of season
 - iii. The Habit of People Preaching
 - 1) Ezra Read from the book Nehemiah 8:8
 - 2) Angels don't do it; we do (Acts 10)
 - iv. Foolishness of Preaching (1 Corinthians 1:18-21)
 - v. God Works in Preaching
 - 1) The Promise Isaiah 55:10-11
 - 2) The Function (Romans 10:16-end)
 - 3) It's God's Word for saving 1 Thessalonians 2:13
 - vi. Expository Preaching
 - 1) In Order
 - 2) Close to the Text
 - 3) Forcing the Tough Questions
 - 4) Allowing you to preach the whole counsel of God

3. What You Need to study and Preach

- a. Tool Kit
 - i. A Bible (or Two)
 - 1) A Study Bible
 - 2) A Different Version
 - ii. Something to take notes with
 - 1) Notepad
 - 2) Cell Phone
 - 3) Computer
 - 4) Blood
- b. Preparation
 - i. Prayer
 - ii. Commitment
 - iii. Time
 - iv. Diligence
- c. Availability
 - i. Be ready to give an answer (1 Peter 3:15)
 - ii. Be ready to do it on and off season (2 Tim 4:2)