

"A COMPLETE SERMON"

Have you ever ordered a meal – and they left something out? Our scrip: We see the elements of a complete sermon.

I. CHARACTER

A. Truth of preaching: *A sermon is a life*

1. You bring all that you are into the pulpit/behind the microphone **V22** *not as the scribes...*
 - a. A mark of the scribes was hypocrisy; They lived something different than they said/taught
2. **Hypocrisy causes people to not listen to our words:** *When they know the truth of our actions...*
 - a. *Lady: It was a great sermon – pity it came from him*
3. **Hypocrisy can supernaturally override our words:** *Even when they don't know how we're living*
 - a. We minister what we are; Either adding weight/impact or negating what we say
 1. *Pastor complaining people wouldn't give: Are you tithing? No. BUT HE WAS PREACHING IT!!*

II. CONTENT

A. The essence of a sermon is having something to say from God

1. A sermon comes from the word of God!
 - a. **V22** his doctrine...teaching; Speakers would read from scripture – then expound on it/explain
2. Jesus was in contact with the word of God
 - a. His response to temptation b. His impromptu teaching c. His planned teaching
 1. It was inside – so it flowed naturally out of Him and made impact

B. The biggest factor in this is having a love for the word of God

1. Whatever you're passionate about makes the most impact on other people

a. Proverbs 2:3-6 and if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. For the LORD gives wisdom, and from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.

2. **V22** *Not as the scribes...who simply quoted others:* It was His! He had it inside – He had worked to understand it!

III. DELIVERY

A. A sermon is public speaking

1. How you speak can cause other people to not want to listen to you
 - a. Verbal tics: Um, um, um...Amen? Amen? Amen?
 1. They are actually mental pauses to allow our brain to catch up
 - b. Irritating inflections: Going up or down
 1. The problem: We can't hear our own verbal tics/irritating inflections!
2. There are things you can do to improve your communication effectiveness
 - a. Pauses b. Variety: Different voice levels/emphasis c. Eye contact (actually look above the people) d. Motion: Involving the whole audience

B. Public speaking is a skill: You can get better at it!

1. You might not be someone else – but you can be the best version of you there is!
 - a. You need feedback: *Recording or other people* b. You need practice:
 - c. You need instruction: There are books/online videos that can help

IV. ANOINTING

A. Preaching is ultimately a supernatural work of God

1. God has to take our human words and make them supernaturally effective
 - a. *Anointing: One meaning - To supply what we lack*
2. This is only seen by the impact made on other people – when we speak!

a. V22 the people were amazed/authority – weight/impact

b. Luke 24:32 NCV They said to each other, "It felt like a fire burning in us when Jesus talked to us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us."

3. Something should happen when we speak – if we are anointed

a. Mark 1:27 The people were so amazed they asked each other, "What is happening here? This man is teaching something new, and with authority. He even gives commands to evil spirits, and they obey him."

1. People should get saved 2. People should get delivered 3. People should be inspired 4. People should have hope