

Preacher, Preparation, Presentation

A class on making and preaching sermons

Session 31
Presenting
Your Sermon

Notes?
Manuscript?
No notes?

Well-Known Communicators





FLETCHER

"Just because I'm preaching without notes doesn't mean you should sing without them."

Options for Presentation

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1. Full manuscript and read
2. Full manuscript memorized
3. Full manuscript converted to an outline
4. Extended outline
5. Bare-bones outline
6. Extemporizing

Full manuscript and Read

Advantages:

Ensured preparation

Precision of expression

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- Ensured preparation

- Precision of expression

Disadvantages

- Eye contact limited

- Limits freedom of expression

- Spontaneity limited

- Extensive preparation

Full Manuscript Memorized

Advantages

Precision of expression

Promotes eye contact

Disadvantages

Difficulty

Woodenness of expression

Extensive preparation time

Full Manuscript—Outline

Advantages

Complete preparation of thought

Maintains eye contact

Maintains spontaneity

Disadvantages

Primarily extensive preparation

Extensive Outline

Advantages

More is better

written and practiced

Disadvantages

Can be too wooden

Bare-Bones Outline

Advantages

- Spontaneous expression

- Eye Contact

- Rapid preparation

Disadvantages

- Encourages ill-prepared thought

- Leads to brevity or length

No Notes

Advantages

Immediacy of communication

Eye contact

Body language

Disadvantages

Preparation

Forgetfulness

Internalizing the Message



Internalizing the Message

Memorize Movements

Memorize illustrations

Get familiar with small
parts

Build in crutches

Practice, Practice, Practice