“Preach the Word”

Intro: We recall that as the Apostle Paul writes he is approaching the _______ ___ his _________. ... What is the most important ___________________ he has to share with young pastor Timothy?

A. This morning as we open to II Timothy chapter 4 and consider verses 1-2 we read of the ____________________, the Motive, the ________________ and the Method.

I. The ________________.

A. Though Paul has already commissioned Timothy in many ways here he sums up the great mission of Timothy’s life, which is our great mission as the church, and it
is this: preach ______ _________!

II. The ________________.

A. The charge to preach the Word is Spirit-breathed for Timothy and all pastors and
all the church. _______ _______ ______________________ for we know that it is in
His presence that we fulfill His ordained mission. Our ministry is His ministry!

B. That the ________________ ________________ will judge our works properly
motivates us to fulfill His mission for His church.

1. That ________ will appear and establish His kingdom
_________________________ us, encouraging and emboldening us to fulfill our
divine ________________!

III. The ________________.

A. “______________________ _________!”

1. “Preach” means to authoritatively herald, to commandingly announce, to
convincingly ________________.

2. The Word refers to the __________ __ ____________!

B. As souls are at all times ever-needy the need for the _______ of God is
always present. The Word is always _____________ in the church. The Word is
always needed in the home! The Word is always needed in the work place. The
Word is always needed in the school! The Word is always needed wherever people
are! We must be ready to proclaim the Word in __________ ______________ in every
________________!
IV. The **Method.**

A. The God-breathed Word is profitable for ____________. The preached Word reproves by ____________ the sinner to his sin.

B. The preached Word is profitable for rebuke. ____________ follows in line with the word *correction* of 3:16. It is to “set aright that which is fallen”. Proper preaching of the Word will bring reproof which exposes and convicts that is then followed by rebuke which serves to ____________ the soul.

C. We are to preach the Word because it is God’s means of exhortation. To ____________ is to call alongside for the purpose of appealing, comforting, encouraging and urging one on ____________. The preached Word is the divine method by which God convicts souls of sin and righteousness, moving them to repentance, teaching them to follow Christ!

D. We are to preach the Word with long-suffering patience and careful and ____________ instruction. Such patience and instruction are not to accompany our preaching but to be at the very heart and ____________ of our preaching.

**Closing exhortation:** As we come into this New Year there is no question as to what our God-ordained mission is. The ministry of ____________ the Word is for us the church a non-negotiable.

As God our Father and ____________ our Savior is our Spirit-driven motivation let us set our hearts on things above, devoting the entirety of our being to the ministry of the preaching of ____________.

With great patience and instruction let us give ourselves the preaching of the Word knowing that the preaching is God’s method by which He brings souls to Himself through reproof, rebuke, and exhortation.

God has a mission for us. ____________ is our motivation. Preaching the Word is our ministry. God’s method is our means by which He ____________ ________.

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