

Four tips for Preparing to Preach:

1 - Start yourself EMPTY

Come to the text with no presuppositions, ulterior motives or agendas.

2 - Study yourself FULL

Let the text speak - use a variety of Bible versions before you look at the commentaries. Ask the Who, What, Where, Why and How questions. Let the text speak before you begin to read anything else.

3 - Think yourself CLEAR

Once the first draft is complete, try and tell the sermon in one sentence. Ask what's the big idea in this sermon. The Sermon needs to have a clearly defined purpose.

4 - Pray yourself HOT

Preaching is not only head to head but also heart to heart. Preaching with conviction, passion and belief is part of the communication process.

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