Have we been preaching wrong? - posted by Fouby, on: 2010/3/2 21:50
Why do we always tell people what to think on Sundays instead of teaching the How to think?
Why don't we teach the people God has entrusted to us how to interpret scripture instead of always just interpreting it for them.

If we treat them like idiots, they will behave thusly....

All I am suggesting is not only preaching a sermon, but prefacing the sermon or ending the sermon with a "how we got here or here" statement.

Maybe your not up for this, maybe you don't think Sunday morning is the place for this.
Then why not Wednesday night, or youth group....
How can we expect people to get anything out of reading the bible if they can't think critically or critically read the text?
If we believe we are a royal priesthood, if we all are called to make disciples, than why isn't church a place where we equip people for ministry? Every week!
Why?

Re: Have we been preaching wrong? - posted by knifefall, on: 2010/3/2 22:32
Great place to be right now. I'm reminded of when Jesus said to Peter that flesh and blood has not revealed this but my Father in Heaven has. Keep listening to the Spirit. And preach against maintaining spiritual toddlers.

Be careful of a bitter heart. I've been there. Services can get dull. Perhaps a change is in order. I'll be praying for you pal.

Re: Have we been preaching wrong? - posted by wind_blows, on: 2010/3/3 0:00

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Just some of the thoughts on my heart

in Him
Ellie

Re: - posted by IWantAnguish (), on: 2010/3/3 0:10
We have dead preachers preaching dead messages to dead people.

Most churches that congregate together around America wouldn't know the difference between a true or false convert if one punched em in the face.
Re: Have we been preaching wrong? - posted by mguldner (), on: 2010/3/3 1:13
I agree, I think a part of it is preachers lackadisically expounding the written Word of God. Its an inconsistancy in many churches. "We Believe the Bible is the written word of God inspired" THEN TREAT IT THAT WAY with Fear and trembling! When I preach I do add an application to my message that most if not everyone willing to use will be helpful in their walk, These applications come generally from my mistakes and me using the app to help correct it. Oh the day when we take the Word of God to its reverence that it deserves

God Bless,
Matthew

Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2010/3/3 1:15
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How true this is.

Re: Have we been preaching wrong? - posted by Lysa (), on: 2010/3/3 3:57

Quote:
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There are as many reasons for this as there are preachers, pastors, and evangelists!!

My first gut reaction to this was if people can think for themselves, then maybe they won't need me or my services and they'll stop paying tithes. (not that anyone pays me, Lysa!)

And there is the obvious, there are some that do not want to think for themselves! If this weren't true, they'd do away with the six o'clock news!! LOL

Only God knows why and He is gracious enough NOT to condemn or blame because of it!

God bless you!

*edit for clarity*

Re: - posted by Compton (), on: 2010/3/3 9:27

Quote:
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Much modern preaching is behavior management. Accordingly, most people are well schooled in what they should be and do, but not why.

Perhaps our bias towards results without reason is just a reflection of our broader modern society. We are taught from kindergarten to conform and fit into the marketplace in order to preserve our economic security.

Church is a kind of marketplace as well, because people are free to come and go like consumers. So, organizationally s
peaking, our churches are fragile. In such as environment compliance is always going to be more welcome then initiative.

MC

Re: Have we been preaching wrong?, on: 2010/3/3 15:39
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FEAR!! Plain and simple.
Most Pastors in the world are scared to death to have anyone in their congregation become more than what they are.
Many people after years of neglect, talents wasted, are awakening and leaving their Church organization. Many want to grow, to be real as a functioning, contributing member of the body of Christ.
A Reformation is upon us.

Re: - posted by jimp, on: 2010/3/3 17:38
hi, i feel sick over the condition of the body in your area and i know you do too... that said...we have many great churches in my city...mostly in fellowship...trying to reach and minister to the city and the world...thank you Jesus,jimp

Re: Have we been preaching wrong? - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2010/3/7 6:59
hhmmmm, I have wondered the same...have wondered about the motivation for doing so. Even though it may be flawed, scripture still teaches us one should not forsake the assembly of the saints. (Hebrews 10:25.) I choose to accept the imperfection and go on, doing my best - which is, in my opinion, imperfect as well - to be the example God wants of an elderly sister in the brotherhood. After all, we are brothers and sisters and we do not discard our kinfolks because we do not always agree with their methods.
My opinion,
ginnyrose

Re: - posted by Tears_of_joy, on: 2010/3/7 9:53
Quote:
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True Fellowship by Art Katz
https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/singlefile.php?lid=12161

Re: , on: 2010/3/7 12:44
Quote:
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In those days they didn't have denominationalism, like we do today. They met from house to house and there was one Pastor over an area. So even if people left denominational churches and met in their homes, they would not be forsaking the assembling of the saints.
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Re: - posted by Christinyou (), on: 2010/3/9 20:52

The question is have we been preaching wrong?

Yes!

If we knew nothing in the Bible but what preached and wrote, which Paul says, "in the fullness of time", Galatians 4:4 But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

2 Corinthians 13:3 Since ye seek a proof of Christ speaking in me, which to you-ward is not weak, but is mighty in you.

The final Gospel as Paul speaks to all who are in Christ and Christ in you: Colossians 1:25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;

"fulfil"

Strong's Greek Dictionary
4137. piero
Search for G4137 in KJV
plhrow pieroo play-ro'-o
from 4134; to make replete, i.e. (literally) to cram (a net), level up (a hollow), or (figuratively) to furnish (or imbue, diffuse, influence), satisfy, execute (an office), finish (a period or task), verify (or coincide with a prediction), etc.:--accomplish, X after, (be) complete, end, expire, fill (up), fulfill, (be, make) full (come), fully preach, perfect, supply.

The only reason Paul was chosen by Jesus Christ Himself, was to complete the Word of God, thus Paul's final Gospel

If we studied only Paul's Gospel, we would see plainly how we are now Spirit Filled son's of God, His full and complete son's of God in Christ Jesus. "It is no longer we who live, but Christ who lives in us.

We don't rightly divide the Word of God, we commingle Old and New Testament, we commingle Law and Grace, we commingle Calvin and Armenianism, we commingle Spirit and Soul, we commingle, earthly and heavenly and much much more.

This is not rightly dividing the Word. There is only one final Gospel, John 14,15,16,and 17, Plainly show what the Holy Spirits work is, "Comforter", Jesus: Another Comforter, The Holy Spirit.

All of Paul's writings are direct from Jesus, Published through Paul by the Holy Spirit.

First of all we must divide Satan and Adam, they are earthly created beings and by Adam believing Satan, which gave Satan complete control of all men birthed by Adam, unless in God's mercy as in Job, giving Satan control except Jobs life, and blessings after Satan had sifted him as Peter would be sifted by Satan unless The God Christ prayed for Peter.

Dividing Satan and Adam from Jesus Christ and the Another Comforted who are Heavenly and Spiritual. This is quite a bit of scripture, but it totally divides the Word of God: earthly and heavenly which cannot intermingle.

1 Corinthians 15:45-58 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. T he first man is of the earth, earthly; the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthly, such are they also that are earthly: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of Go d; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be ch anged, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raise d incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immo rality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victor y through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.
We now have divided Satan and Jesus, We have now divided soul and spirit, earthly and heavenly, by Christ rebirthed in us and Satan dethroned in our Life which is now in Christ. Earthly baptism in water from our Father’s baptism into one Spirit, The Spirit of God our Father, the Spirit of Christ in us, The Holy Spirit who will be in us forever. They all have different manifestations of the Work of the Father, but One God by The Word of God, dividing earthly men and heavenly son’s of God in Christ Jesus.

There are still many things to rightly divide, this is all I have been given for now.

This is not what is being taught in the Churches today.

Final question; How are we birthed in Christ; by our own selves giving birth to a Person Jesus Christ ourselves? Only a part of the answer; it takes a Father to give birth.

How are we taught spiritually and where are we taught?
Only a part of the answer; Taught in our soul/minds, where the Holy Spirit does His work of what Jesus said and what He has done and what He is doing.

In Christ: Phillip

Re: - posted by ADisciple (), on: 2010/3/9 22:27

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Yes... Pastor Jesus Himself. But never one man "over" an area. Always a plurality of elders, and not "over," but "among," leading, guiding the flock.