

Why do we preach the Word?

This moment, I want us to look at what I call why do we preach the Word?

Why should we preach the Word?

Why should the preaching of the Word be our priority as God's children, as believers in Christ Jesus, as a new creation in Christ Jesus?

Why should the preaching of the Word only dominate our lives?

Because the Word of God is of faith, and it's of life, and it's of a person.

The Apostle Paul, according to the book of **Romans chapter 10 verse 8**, he said, "*The Word is near thee, even in thy mouth and in thy heart*". That is, the Word of faith which you preach.

The apostles who were the forerunners of the Christian faith, the believer's faith, in Christ Jesus, their centrepiece was preaching the Word. But they didn't know what the Word implies. There's an implication of the Word of God. There's a personality in the Word of God. There's life in the Word of God. So, they preached the Word of God because in verse 17 of **Romans chapter 10**, *the faith we need to overcome the world comes by hearing and hearing the Word*. Not hearing stories. But the hearing of the Word of faith is what makes us overcome the world. It's also what makes us please God. For Hebrew 11 verse 6 says, *Without faith it is impossible to please God. He that comes to God must believe that God is a rewarder of them who diligently seek Him*.

1 John chapter 5 verse 4 to 5 says, *This is the victory to overcome the world*. I'm just summarising that. *Even our faith*. This is the victory to overcome the world system. You see, the world has a system. It can be very depressing, for you to overcome it, you need faith. But this faith has to do with the Word of God. It's not going to lead by F-A-I-T-H faith. It will lead by F-A-T-E faith and F-A-I-T-H is of the Word of God, And that's why we have to preach the Word of God. The apostles knew better when they came to the land of Samaria in the Bible days of the apostles. **Acts chapter 8 verse 4** tells us, the apostles who went forth, they preached the Word and great signs followed them.

In verse 5 also they say they preached Christ. And we're told in **verse 8**, there was joy in that city. What brings joy to human life, to human beings, is the preaching of the Word. And the Word is Christ Himself. That's why the apostles

were able to preach the Word and preach Christ at the same time in the people of Samaria. When they're preaching the Word, they're communicating Christ to them and Christ is the Word of God. How do I know that? It's in the scriptures.

In **1 John chapter 5 verse 7** says, There are three that bear record or witness in the heavens, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit. The Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit. We know there are three persons in the Trinity. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We know the Son talks about Jesus Christ. But in this context, the Bible says, He, the Christ, or the Son, is the Word. Look at the article there. "The Word" indicates a personality. The Father, a person. The Word, a person. The Holy Spirit is a person. That's in **John chapter 1** from verse 1 to verse 5 and 14. It says, In the beginning was the Word. The Word was with God. The Word was God. Talk about it as part of the Trinity. The Word was God. Personified. When you begin to resolve intentionally in your inner spirit and personify the Word, it changes your being. It transforms your being. The genuine character and nature of God will take over you when the Word becomes personified in your Christian life. The Word is personified. Says in **verse 14**, *the Word became flesh*, became human. Personified. That's how we must preach the Word. When you preach the Word, you're preaching Christ. So, the Apostle shows the science of preaching the Word in the land of Samaria and preaching Christ.

We're told in verse 4 and 5, verse 8, tells us there was joy in the city of Samaria. The city turned from a sorcerer as you read from verse 9 down to verse 25 and turned to God because the Word is preached. Not a denomination being preached. Some people are full of preaching their denomination. Come to my church. No church saves anybody. Come to my religion. No religion saves anybody. What saves is the Word of God. What delivers is God's Word. Otherwise, people are full of bondage, of dogmas, creed, bylaws, and sectarianism. Not the Word of God. Only God's Word can emancipate human life and give people hope and joy in the spirit. In **Psalm 138, verse 2**, the Bible says this, *I worship toward the holy temple and praise their name for thy loving kindness and for thy truth. But thou hast magnified their word above all other names*. God has magnified His word even above His name. In fact, in the amplified version of the Bible, in a classic edition, it says, God has exalted His name and His word. He has magnified His word above His name. The Word of God is Christ's personified. When you preach Him, when you preach the Word, you are preaching Him. And Him will personify in the heart and the life of men

to transform their life and make them become what they ought to be that God made them to be in life.

That is why we must preach the Word of God. In Hebrews 6, verse 18, it says, There are three multiple things that are impossible for God to allow. His name and His world.

God will always honour His Word and will always honour His name. He can't deny His Word, He can't deny His name. Because God cannot deny both of them, He took an oath of Himself. That tells you the implication of the Word. God took an oath to His Word and His name, and His name and His Word. He has lifted His Word even above His name. Preach the Word. Listen to the Word. Hear the Word. You will see, it's not only going to inform you, it's going to transform you. To become who God wants you to be. It will answer the quest of your life. Because the Word is Jesus Christ personified in our life. And when that personality of God is in your life, it makes all things bright and beautiful. Today, why am I saying this to you? To let you know, only the Word can bring the change we need in our life as God's own children. To encourage us today, make the Word a priority. Preach the Word. Stay off from preaching self, preaching other persons, preaching men. Preach Christ. Preach the Word. The apostles went to preach the Word. In the land of Samaria. Also in verse **4**, they preached the Word. In verse **5**, they preached Christ. Philip preached Christ. When told in verse **8**, *joy came to the city*. You want to have joy in your family. Joy in your personal life. Joy in the life of your colleagues. They're full of bitterness and depression. Joy in the life of your friends. Preach the Word to them. Don't preach self. Don't preach religion. Don't preach church. Preach the Word. The Word of God. When it takes hold of their life, it will personify them. The Word will personify them and make them be who God wants them to be for themselves. To God's glory. To their own personal life and when you listen to the Word you say, being preached to you, equally, it still happens to you. The Word is the answer. To a human need. An answer to a human quest. Amen. Preach the Word. And you'll be blessed by God.

God bless you in Jesus' name. Amen.

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