



# *Preparation and Delivery of Sermons*

## Lesson 9

### Some Factors in Evaluating a Sermon

Does it have good, clear-cut structure?

#### **I. INTRODUCTION. (3-4 minutes)**

- A. Gain immediate attention.**
- B. Segway into body of sermon.**
- C. Read or quote the Biblical text.**

#### **II. THE BODY. (25 minutes)**

- A. 1<sup>st</sup> main point.**
- B. 2<sup>nd</sup> main point.**
- C. 3<sup>rd</sup> main point.**
  - 1. Exegesis of the Biblical text?
  - 2. Application of the Biblical text?

#### **III. CONCLUSION. (3-4 minutes) The *so what*.**

- A. Draw it all together.**
- B. Drive home the main point.**

**Did the sermon embody these ingredients?**

- 1. Orderliness
- 2. Systematic progression
- 3. A thoroughly Biblical nature
- 4. Exalt Christ
- 5. Solid content/substance
- 6. Solid, strong points
- 7. Profound, but simple and pointed
- 8. Adequate exegesis
- 9. Adequate application

- 10. Honest application**
- 11. Good balance in theology and honesty to Scripture**
- 12. Good flow**
- 13. Balance of humor, proofs, illustrations, Scriptures**
- 14. Clear illustrations**
- 15. Crisp illustrations**
- 16. Cohesiveness**
- 17. Passion**
- 18. Freedom and liberty by the preacher**
- 19. Intrigue, grip and motivation**
- 20. Articulate, clear enunciation with a minimum of filler**
- 21. Good body language**
- 22. Good eye contact and connection with the audience**
- 23. Good audience attention**
- 24. Timeliness/fitting to the occasion**
- 25. Proper length**
- 26. Freedom from pathologies**