

## Preaching for Beginners

### Welcome to Equip Preaching – Day 4 (Final)

We reach the final day of Equip Preaching – Praise God for what we have learned.

It is the trial preaching day. The hope is that the exercise of having to put together a sermon will have not horrified you more than it has encouraged you! That some of the principles that have been taught in this course will have found their way into your thinking and preparation for preaching.

But before we get into the preaching, there is an important area to consider - the *Character of the Preacher*, that is, an honest look at what is motivating the person who preaches.

The great preacher Charles Haddon Spurgeon, in his *Lectures to Students* said this of a good preacher but a poor Christian:

He preached so well and lived so badly, that when he was in the pulpit everybody said he ought never to come out again, and when he was out of it, they all declared he never ought to enter it again.<sup>1</sup>

Someone who could master the craft, but not keep himself in check should not be placed in a pulpit to help others live for God. For all our words, true and Biblical, it is our actions that people will most easily follow.

Practice what you preach.

#### Training Day 4 – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am-1pm at Tea Tree Gully Anglican

9.15am	Coffee	
9.30am – 10.30am	The Character of the Preacher	Ken Noakes
10.30am-10.50am	Morning Tea	
10.50am – 12.45pm	Sermon Presentations	Participants with Guest listeners
12.45pm-1pm	Lunch	

#### Course Materials and Session Recordings

An electronic version of the course notes and the digital recordings of the sessions can be found at:

Church Central - <https://bit.ly/2I5Ix7x>

#### Thank you

Thanks for doing this Preaching Course. Our prayer is it will have further prepared you to faithfully and fruitfully proclaim the gospel of our Lord Jesus.

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<sup>1</sup> C.H. Spurgeon, *Lectures to My Students*, (Rpt., Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1954), 17.