

Teaching God's Word
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Introduction:

1. "Go ye into all nations and preach the gospel to every creature , He that believeth and is baptized shall ..."
2. 2. Jesus commanded that we teach the world the gospel.
3. 3. As we continue our study of the avenues of Worship we look to the subject of teaching God's Word.

Body:

1. GOD HAS EXPECTED (COMMANDED) HIS PEOPLE TO TEACH IN EVERY
 - A. Under the Law of Moses. – Deut. 4:9-10; 6:4-9; 11:18-20
 1. We should even seek to do more under a better covenant
 - B. During the Prophets. – Ezra 7:10,25; Isa. 54:13
 - C. During the personal ministry of Christ:
 1. Mt. 5:1-2; 7:28-29 –Taught as one having authority.
 2. Acts 1:1 – "of all that Jesus began both to do and teach"
 - D. After the resurrection of Christ. – Mt. 28:18-20; Acts 5:42; 15:35
 - E. In our Own Age:
 1. Eph. 4:11; 1 Cor. 12:23; 2 Tim .2:2; Heb. 5:12
2. GOD TELLS US WHAT HE WANTS, TAUGHT:
 - A. Whatsoever Jesus commanded:
 1. The word of the Lord – Jn. 14:26; Acts 15:35
 2. The oracles of God--1 Peter 4:11
 3. Things becoming to sound doctrine –Titus. 2:1
 4. Things such as Timothy received. – 1 Tim. 4:11-16; 2 Tim. 2:2
 - B. Not anything not commanded by Jesus: NEGATIVE.
 1. As precepts of men – Mt. 15:9
 2. Fables – 1 Tim. 4:7 ; 2 Tim. 4:3-4
 3. A perverted gospel – Gal. 1:6-10
3. HOW ARE WE TO TEACH????
 - A. The manner of teaching:
 1. With authority – Mt. 7:28-29; Acts 1:8
 2. Accurately and effectively – 2 Tim. 2:15; 3:16-17
 3. Continuously – 2 Tim. 4:1-4; 1 Tim. 4:12
 - B. Methods and Places of teaching:
 1. In the home – Eph. 6:4; 2 Tim 3:15
 2. In private dwellings – Acts 18:7-8; Acts 28:30-31

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3. In the market place – Acts 17:17
 4. From house to house and publicly – Acts 5:42; 15:35; 20: 20
 5. In places of worship--Acts 17:17; Acts 19:8
 - C. We teach by our lives as others watch us.
4. THE OBJECTIVE OF EFFECTIVE TEACHING:
- A. That children might be properly trained – Eph. 6:4
 - B. That people taught of God may learn and come to Jesus. – John 6:44-45.
 - C. That "babes" at first requiring "milk" may come to be full grown men capable of discerning evil and good. – 1 Peter 2:1-2; Heb. 5:14
 - D. That all may be built up unto "the inheritance among all them that are sanctified. – Jas. 1:21; Acts 20:22.
5. PRACTICAL OBSERVATIONS:
- A. The question might be asked, "just who is to teach?"
 1. We should already have seen t h a t through the lesson, but let us point it out more clearly – EACH ONE,
 2. EACH CHRISTIAN HAS THE OBLIGATION TO TEACH.
 - B. But before we can teach others we must do one t h i n g – STUDY OURSELVES.
 - C. Do we as members study as we should???? Or is it only when we come to church that we read from the Bible?
 - D. Illustration:
 1. Son: Mother, isn't this God's Book?
Mother: Yes son it is . Why?
Son: Well don't you think we had better send it back--we never use it .
 - E. I couldn't teach you to cook if I was not able to boil.
 - F. Some say but buildings are built and preacher hired to teach. But does this say we can stop????
 1. We may support someone to give full time to teaching, but it doesn't remove our obligations to teach.
 - G. WE MUST GO OUT AND TEACH!!
 1. Medicine is good for children, but not often do they come and ask for it .
 2. Gospel is good for people (cannot be saved without it) but they will not always come and ask for it .
 3. Lord said take it to them, "Go"
 4. A liar will not come and say "Teach me to quit lying"
 - a. Neither a drunkard, thief, etc.
 - H. If you didn't know the truth, would you not count it as a great blessing and a good friend who would come to you and teach you????
6. RESULT O F TEACHING.
- A. Learning Obedience!