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The Elements Of Preaching



Synopsis

In a practical, no-nonsense approach, this book spells out the basic preaching principles as well as the prohibitions that will help sharpen and focus the skills of every pastor and pulpit speaker.

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This helpful handbook by father and son preaching veterans - Warren and David Wiersbe is divided into two sections. There are twenty-six preaching principles and fourteen preaching prohibitions that are developed. Each chapter is only one to two pages in length. They really pack this book in with great quotes, wisdom, and the type of advice that you can only get from preachers that have put a lot of mileage in the pulpit. In the preaching principles section the Wiersbe's remind us "Methods are many, principles are few. Methods always change, Principles never do." Here are just ten of the twenty-six topics they develop: Preaching is the communicating of God's truth by God's servant to meet the needs of people. The Preacher is a part of the message. Preaching is an act of worship. A sermon must have both intent and content if it is to be effective. The sermon should be based on the essentials of the text and not the accidentals of the translation you are using. Build your outline on the unique features of the text. Keep your preaching within the bounds of what the text says and what the people can receive. Preach to express, not to impress. Sermons preached as part of a series must be independent and yet related. Speak the truth in love. Never be satisfied with your preaching. At the end of the book they include a very helpful checklist for "Taking Inventory of the Message:" 1. Is the message solidly based on Scripture? 2. Does it exalt the Person and work of

Jesus Christ?3. Will it meet the needs of the people?4. Is the theme a timeless truth worth talking about?5.

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