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STUDY GUIDE

INTRODUCTION

Before a certain preacher commenced his message he looked across the congregation and said:

“Before I preach, there is something I want to say”!

Zavis Brandies estimates 80% of all serious controversies in life arise as a result of miscommunication. No one knows what anyone’s saying anymore.

Robert Frost had an amusing spin on the problem:

“Half the world is composed of people who have something to say and can’t and the other half who have nothing to say and keep on saying it.”

Unless we can clearly articulate our message, all our theology, doctrine and great sermons mean nothing!

This chapter is devoted to the various facets of communication.

One of our Evangelists received a note after he had completed a series of meetings, which read as follows:

“Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Others stay a while, leave footprints on our hearts, and we are never the same again. You left footprints on my heart!”

Some communication took place!

“Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord we persuade men”

2 Corinthians 5:11

Cecil J Peasley

BASIC ASSUMPTIONS

- 1) God has given you _____, _____ and _____.
- 2) People have given you their _____ and _____.
- 3) You have been endowed with _____ and _____.
- 4) You need _____ no man – You are _____ man. (1 Cor 2: 1-3).
- 5) The Holy Spirit has _____ to use us, but how do we _____ the Gospel?
- 6) _____ have a _____ from God!

A. We Communicate the Gospel with _____

“faith cometh by hearing” (Romans 10:17)

We need to _____ and _____ until we hear God.

Dr Sid Bonnell said, “If you are preaching under the _____ of the Holy Spirit, the hearers will hear _____.”

Jesus “spoke as one with _____.”

_____ by the Word – here lies your authority.

KEEP TO THE _____ (Write out the objective in a sentence).

B. We Preach the Gospel with _____

“If we shoot _____ their heads it only _____ we have _____!”

JESUS – “The common people heard him gladly” - because _____.

- Simple _____ of points.
- Simple _____.

H. We Communicate the Gospel by our _____

“the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace” (Ephesians 4:3)
“if the bugle produces an indistinct sound, who will prepare himself for battle.”
(1 Corinthians 14:8)

The world needs to _____ the _____ of _____ through the Church.

Of those with _____ 8% go to the Church for help.

