

WISDOM FOR PREACHERS

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Mark 16:15 says, "*And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.*" KJV.

There is a message in this scripture to every person who has been called to preach. When people recognize that they have been appointed to preach the gospel the first picture that comes into their mind is a church building.

The image of standing behind a pulpit with a microphone populates in their head. This next statement may shock you, but standing behind a pulpit in a church is the **LEAST** effective way to preach.

You have been groomed to believe that preaching in a church building is the most effective way of preaching the gospel. Let's challenge this theory.

People have been preaching in the church building for years and it has been proven that the world is getting worse. Communities are falling apart. Violence is escalating. Crime is growing. Chaos is mounting. The family structure is becoming more dysfunctional. The list goes on and on.

Obviously, preaching in the church building is not proving to be effective amongst the world. This is why King Jesus commanded you to **GO INTO ALL THE WORLD** in Mark 16:15. Unfortunately, the preachers of this era have misunderstood the words of King Jesus.

If you are waiting for people to come and hear you preach you are confused. If you are frustrated because people are not coming to your church you are confused. King Jesus told **EVERY** preacher to take the initiative and **GO**.

Being an effective preacher starts with **YOU** going into the industries and systems of the world. The systems of the world are industries that are governed by its own

LAWS, STANDARDS and **VALUES**. Listed below are a list of world's that the Bible is referring to.

Sports world.

Legal world.

Entertainment world.

Educational world.

Healthcare world.

Political world.

Business world.

Digital World.

Fashion world.

Etc.

YOU ARE GIFTED

God gave you gifts for a reason. He blessed you with talents for a reason. Your gifts and talents will open doors for you to enter these worlds. Your gifts and talents qualifies you to be accepted so you can **GO INTO THESE WORLD'S** and preach the gospel of the Kingdom of God.

God did not bless you with these abilities to sit in church and wait for people to come to you. He **QUALIFIED** you with these abilities so you can **GO TO THEM**. As a preacher, your assignment is to be **EFFECTIVE**, not popular.

To be effective means to be invisible sometimes. The most effective things in life are not visible nor do they receive the most credit. For example, yeast is the most effective ingredient in making bread and yet it receives the least amount of recognition.

Oxygen is the most effective component to the human body and yet it receives the least amount of praise. How many people do you hear thanking God for oxygen?? If your goal is to be effective, you may have to carry the burden of feeling invisible. People who are effective impact **RESULTS**, not feelings.

As a preacher this should be your motive. Wherever God has graced you, **GO** into that marketplace and inject that world with the gospel. Here is a wisdom key to remember.

**PEOPLE WILL HEAR YOU WHEN THEY HAVE
ACCEPTED YOU.**

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