

Preaching With Variety

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Course
Introduction

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2 Timothy 4:1-2



In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke, and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.

What can this course do for you?

1. Develop your gift.





**We learn how to do things
by doing the things we are
learning how to do.**

Aristotle, *Ethics* II, i.

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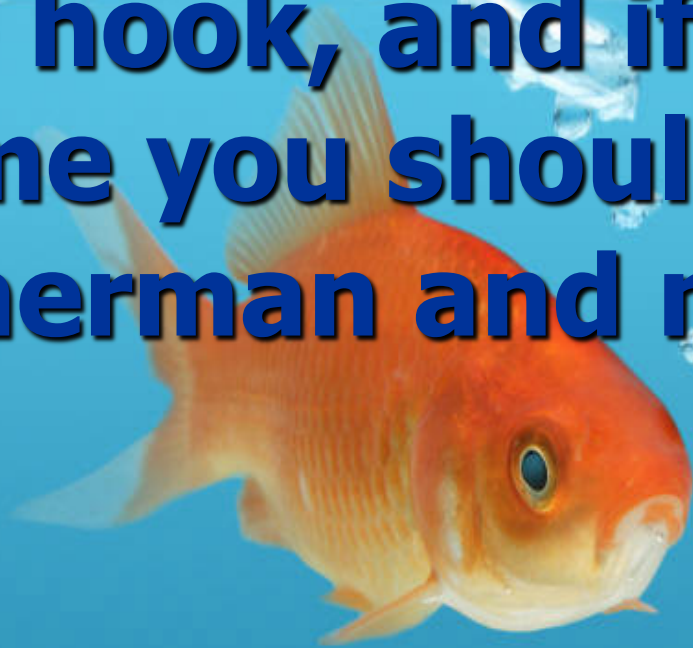


1. Develop your gift.
2. Help you preach with greater accuracy so that we say what God has said in the text.
3. Help you preach with greater relevance so that we fulfill our roles as “soul watchers” (Hebrews 13:17).
4. Help you preach with greater variety so that your sermons are interesting for others and enjoyable for yourself.
5. Enhance your ability to reach people outside the community of faith.

“The role of preaching is the number one correlated factor related to the evangelistic growth of the church.”

Thom Rainer, founding dean of the Billy Graham School for Missions, Evangelism, and Church Growth (Southern Seminary)

You must attract the fish to the hook, and if they do not come you should blame the fisherman and not the fish.



Spurgeon, Lectures To My Students

The Parable of the Seeds

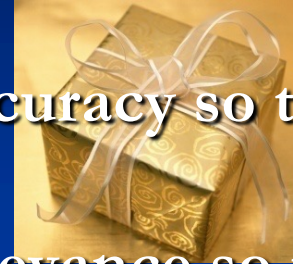
Matthew 13:19

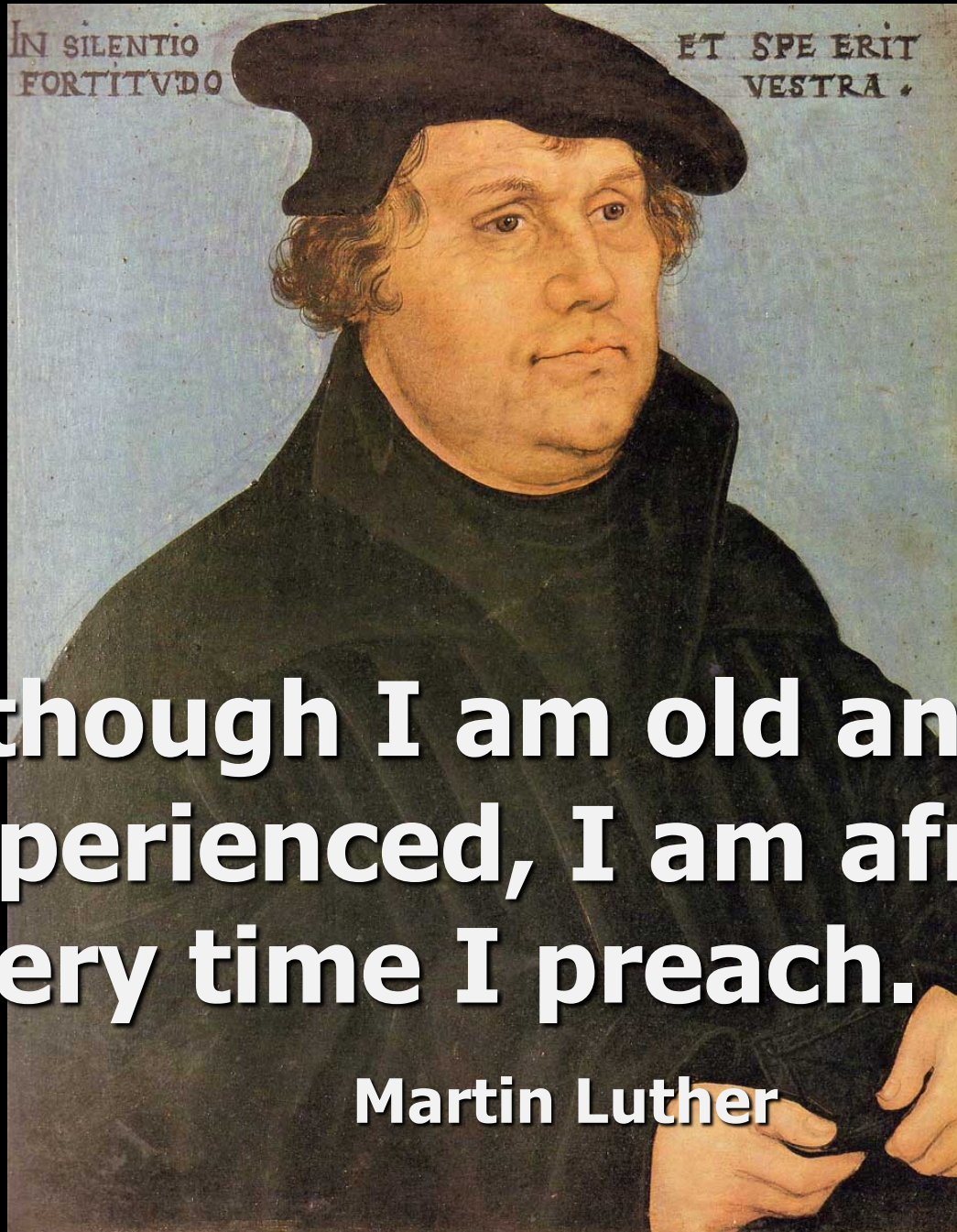
Parable: “As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up.”

Explanation: “When anyone hears the message about the kingdom *and does not understand it*, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart.”

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6. Help reduce some of the natural fear associated with preaching.





**Although I am old and
experienced, I am afraid
every time I preach.**

Martin Luther

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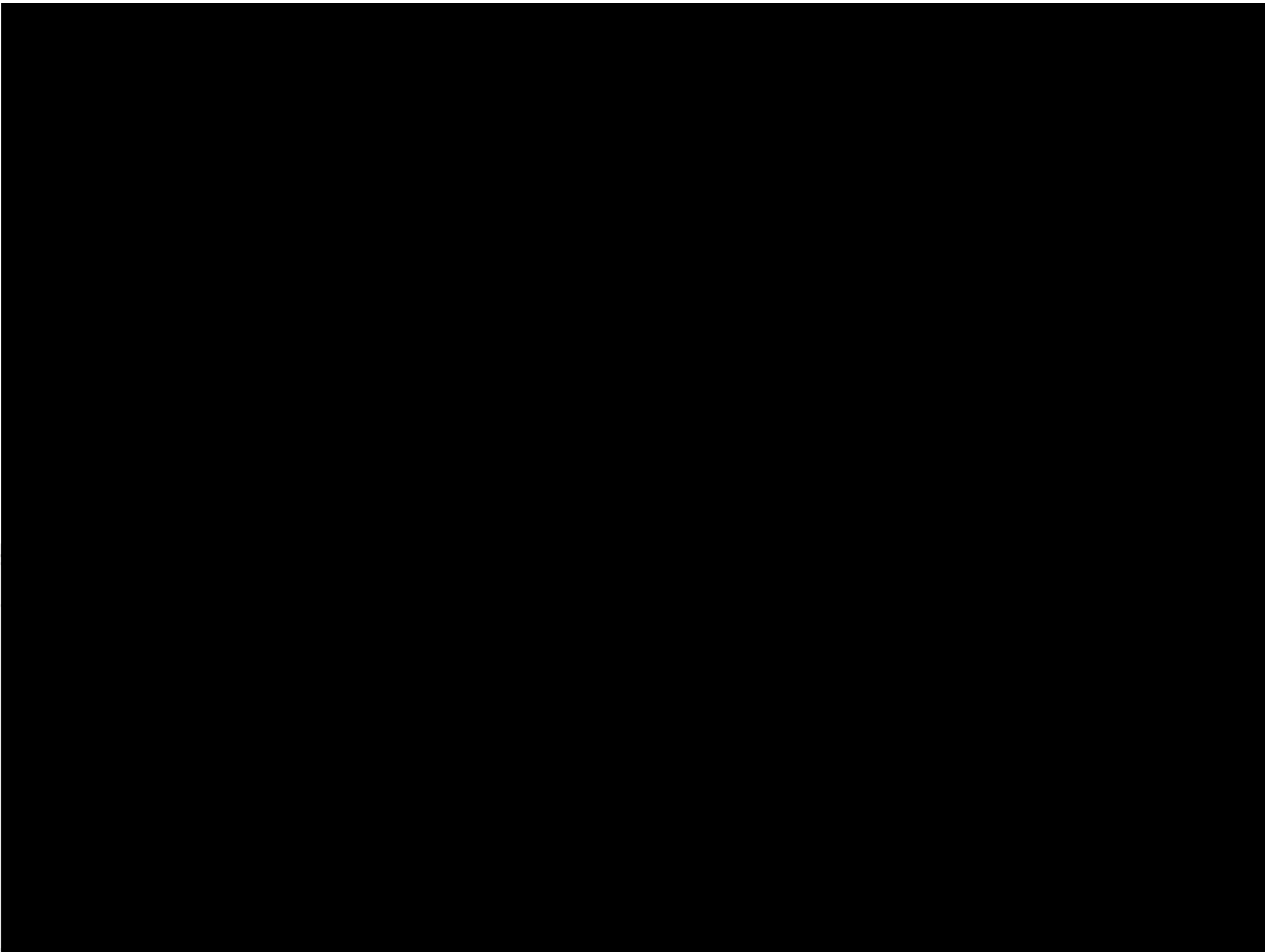
“Covenant”

- We are committed to pursuing the skills of homiletics within a community that offers unqualified acceptance; as well as biblical and intellectual accountability.
- As your mentor, I will seek to uphold these standards and create an atmosphere of collaboration rather than shame or pride.
- We are learning to serve God and our listeners.

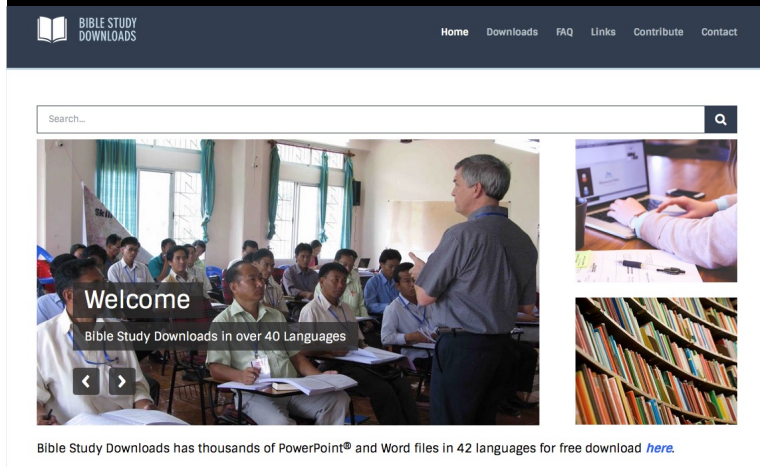
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