

How To Use The POSB

TO GAIN MAXIMUM BENEFIT FROM The Preacher's Outline & Sermon Bible®, here's all you do. Follow these easy steps using the sample outline below.

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DIVISION III

THE TRIUMPH OF PREACHING, 4:1-8

A. The Awesome Charge to Preach the Word and to Minister, 4:1-5

(4:1-5) **Introduction:** the world is bombarded with message after message offering hope after hope. But above all the messages and above all the hopes that bombard the world, there is one that is more needed by man than all the others—one that is so important that it supersedes all the others combined. What is that message? It is the message of the Word of God. The Word of God offers the *only lasting* hope for man. For this reason the Word of God must be preached. The minister of God must commit himself to the awesome charge to preach the Word of God and to minister as never before.

1. Preach the Word—for the eye of God and of Christ watches you (v.1).
2. Preach the Word—the Word of God is to be preached (v.2).
3. Preach the Word—for the great apostasy is coming (v.3-4).
4. Preach the Word—for you must completely fulfill your ministry (v.5).

1 (4:1) **Preaching—Judgment—Jesus Christ, Return:** preach the Word—for the eyes of God and of Christ watch you. The thrust of this great passage is the previous verse:

- the very revelation of God Himself, the record of what God wants us to know, the record that is recorded in the Holy Scriptures, the Holy Bible (See notes—2 Tim.3:16; 3:17).
- the unbelievable love of God that tells us about Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who came to earth to save man from the sin and suffering and death of this world (see outline, note, and **Deeper Study # 1, 2—Jn.3:16; Ro.5:1-5; 5:6-11**).
- the great mercy of God that He has poured out upon us through the death of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ (see note—Eph.2:4-7).
- the coming resurrection and judgment of all men (see notes—Mt.25:31-46; Jn.5:28-30; 1 Cor.15:1-58).

This is the Word that we are to preach, and we are to proclaim it from the housetops ever so boldly and courageously. No matter the trials or the threats of men, we are to "preach the Word"—the Word of our living God.

There are three strong reasons given to make sure that we preach the Word of God.

1. The Lord Jesus Christ will judge the living and the dead. If we are living when He returns, He is going to judge us. If

FIRST. Glance at the **Subject Heading**. Think about it for a moment.

SECOND. Glance at the **Subject Heading** again, and then the **Major Points** (1, 2, 3, etc.). Do this several times, reviewing them together while quickly grasping the overall subject.

THIRD. Glance at **both** the **Major Points** and **Sub-points** while reading the Scripture. Do this slower than Step 2. Note how these points sit directly beside the applicable verse, and how they simply restate what the Scripture is saying—in Outline form.

FOURTH. Read the **Commentary**. *Note:* The Major Point # in the Outline directly relates to the same # in the Commentary. A small raised number (DS1, DS2, etc.) at the end of a Major or Sub-point in the Outline, directs you to a related **Deeper Study** in the Commentary (when applicable).

*As you read and re-read, pray that the Holy Spirit will bring to your attention exactly what you should preach and teach. It's all here in The POSB—outlined and expanded—just waiting for you to **Preach the Word**. May God bless you richly as you study and teach His Word.*

When you open The POSB to the beginning of any section...

1. **The Subject Heading** describes the overall theme of the passage, and is located directly above the Scripture (keyed alphabetically).
2. **Major Points** are keyed with an outline number guiding you to the related commentary.
3. **Sub-points** expand and clarify the Scripture as needed.
4. **Commentary** is fully researched and developed for every point.
5. **Thoughts** (in bold) help apply the Scripture to the lives of your people.
6. **Deeper Studies** provide in-depth discussions of key words and concepts.