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Why We Amplify The Truth

Luke 8:16-18

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Luke 8:16 “No one after lighting a lamp covers it with a jar or puts it under a bed, but puts it on a stand, so that those who enter may see the light. **17** For nothing is hidden that will not be made manifest, nor is anything secret that will not be known and come to light. **18** Take care then how you hear, for to the one who has, more will be given, and from the one who has not, even what he thinks that he has will be taken away.” (ESV)

1. Take _____ (v.18a)

(v.16) →

(v.17) →

(v.18b) →

2. Speak _____ (cp. v.18a)

(cp. v.16) →

(cp. v.17) →

(cp. v.18c) →

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Hebrews 5:10-14**. Describe the types of things that tend to "dull the hearing" of Christians, stunting their growth and impeding their progress in the knowledge of Christ and his word.
2. Read **Proverbs 1:20-33**. What are some of the specific things in this passage that motivate you to work through and overcome the things that obstruct your biblical learning and spiritual growth?
3. Read **1 Corinthians 13:11-12**. What would you say to someone who is content to remain immature in their knowledge and understanding of Christ because v.12 promises that when this life is over we will all automatically know Christ fully.
4. Read **Hebrews 3:12-13**. What are some of the excuses Christians use to avoid this commanded responsibility to look out for the spiritual progress of others?
5. Read **Ephesians 5:6-14**. What aspects of this passage are the most convicting to you and what do you plan to do in response to that conviction?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

July 13th

Ps.10-12 & Ac.17:16-34

July 14th

Ps.13-16 & Ac.18

July 15th

Ps.17-18 & Ac.19:1-20

July 16th

Ps.19-21 & Ac.19:21-41

July 17th

Ps.22-24 & Ac.20:1-16

July 18th

Ps.25-27 & Ac.20:17-38

July 19th

Ps.28-30 & Ac.21:1-14

July 20th

Ps.31-33 & Ac.21:5-40

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 14-18 – **Christ on Hearing God**

Msg. 13-31 – **Learning from the Lord of Life**

Msg. 05-57 – **Three Important Truths About Your Spiritual Growth**

Msg. 05-28 – **Being Extra Careful to Always Take Hold of God's Truth**

Msg. 14-07 – **Understanding Obedience as Christ Does**

Msg. 13-05 – **Loving Enough to tell the Truth About Hell**

Msg. 13-20 – **Presenting Christ: Staying on Task**

This Week's Social Media Hashtag

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For users of Twitter, Facebook, or other social media sites for the grouping of sermon quotes, helpful insights, or your sharable applications drawn from today's sermon.

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Adams, Jay E. **A Consumer's Guide to Preaching**. Victor Books, 1991.

Baxter, Richard. **"Directions for Profitable Hearing The Word Preached," A Christian Directory**. Soli Deo Gloria, 1996.

Coleman, Robert E. **The Master Plan of Evangelism**. Spire Books, 1963.

Edwards, Jonathan. **Jonathan Edwards on Knowing Christ**. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1990.

Fabarez, Mike. **Praying for Sunday: You, Your Pastor, and the Next Sermon**. Focal Point, 2009.

Hendricks, Howard G. **Say it With Love**. Victor Books, 1972.

House, Paul et al. **Who Will Be Saved? The Biblical Understanding of God, Salvation & Evangelism**. CB Books, 2000.

MacArthur, John, Jr., Richard L. Mayhue, et al. **"Epilogue: The Listener's Responsibility" in Rediscovering Expository Preaching**. Word Publishing, 1992.

Metzger, Will. **Tell the Truth: The Whole Gospel to the Whole Person by Whole People**. IVP, 1981.

Peterson, Jim. **Living Proof: Sharing the Gospel Naturally**. NavPress, 1989.

Ramey, Ken. **Expository Listening: A Handbook for Hearing and Doing God's Word**. Kress, 2010.

Richardson, Don. **Eternity in Their Hearts**. Regal Books, 1981.

Spurgeon, Charles Haddon. **The Soul Winner**. Reprint. Whitaker House, 1995.