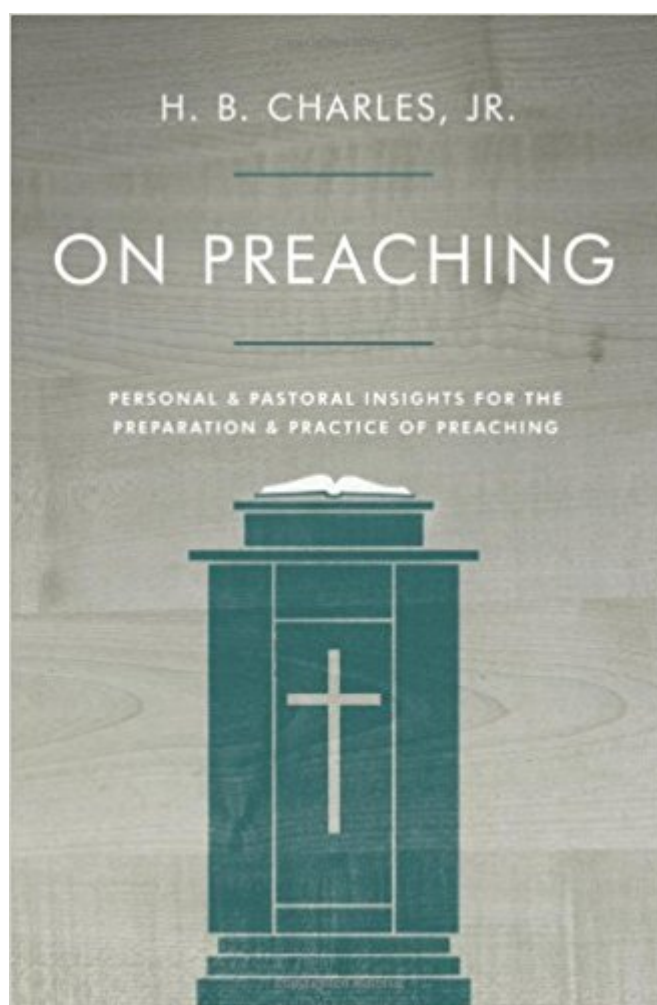


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# On Preaching: Personal & Pastoral Insights For The Preparation & Practice Of Preaching



## Synopsis

Preaching Magazine's 2015 Book of the Year! If you are a pastor, you know the importance of preaching. You have spent time learning and refining the art of preaching because it is vital to the life of God's people—including the preacher. But you probably also find it challenging. *On Preaching* is a masterful resource that will refresh your soul and revitalize your preaching ministry. Drawing upon Scripture and years of preaching experience, H. B. Charles offers a practical resource for pastors, seminarians, church planters, and Bible teachers that is full of energy and wonderfully enjoyable. He gives tips like, "Avoid indecent exposure—get your wife's permission before using your family in the message" and "Illustrate! A good illustration is like a window on a house. It helps your listeners see in or out." Written in a very clear and concise manner, this resource is formatted into 30 short chapters that can easily be read as a devotional. *On Preaching* will encourage seasoned preachers to dig deeper into the basics as they pause and reflect on the effectiveness of their ministry. It will also serve as a spring board for those who are just beginning a preaching ministry.

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Pastor Charles has provided a tremendously practical guide to the entirety of preaching. Whether you have been preaching for 50 years or 5 weeks, you will find it helpful. George E. Hurtt, Pastor-Teacher, Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church of Los Angeles. Timely. Practical. Insightful. Helpful. Refreshing. These are just a few ways I would describe H.B. Charles, Jr.'s new book, *On Preaching*. This book stands uniquely to offer tested wisdom from a voice of experience, integrity, and passion, through a man committed to communicating for God. Your seriousness about

the ministry of preaching demands that you take in this book. Romell Williams, Jr., Senior Pastor, Lilydale Progressive Baptist Church of Chicago In an age where the focus on the authority of Scripture and true life-changing expository preaching is deficient in pulpits across America, H.B. Charles, Jr. has used his almost thirty-year pulpit ministry to guide preachers away from the personality of the preacher to the process of effective preaching. Lance A. Mann Senior Pastor, St. Luke Baptist Church, Crocket, Texas Uniquely gifted in the pulpit and with pen, my good friend and neighbor H.B. Charles gives us a practical yet profoundly gripping challenge to do the work of an expositor. Pastors everywhere need to read this book, and even more importantly, practice its content. Mac Brunson, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, Florida

For a number of years I have been challenging African American pastors to put their homiletical preaching brilliance to writing. How delighted I am to see that my ecclesiastical son in the gospel has done exactly that. What we have before us is that which challenges us to go from devotion to delivery, from meditation to message, and from studies to sharing.

As a result, I salute my son in this great presentation. Dr. Melvin Wade Sr., Senior Pastor, Mt. Moriah Baptist Church of Los Angeles

On Preaching has been written out of the soul of H.B. Charles, Jr. His experience, study, reflection, and conviction may contribute in some measure toward encouraging the preachers who may use it in becoming greater preachers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. John A. Reed Jr., Senior Pastor, Fairview Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

I am so glad that H.B. didn't wait any longer to put in print these personal and practical conversations concerning biblical preaching. I feel like I am walking or sitting with H.B. as he reflects not only on the ministry of preaching but on how he has sought to do it as God has enabled him. For those interested in "rightly dividing the word of truth" in the local church, this book is helpful, balanced, encouraging, and honoring to the Lord of the Word and the Word of the Lord. Clarity, humility, and authenticity permeate each concise chapter. I highly recommend it!

David Olford, Olford Ministries International

Being a preacher comes with great privilege and awesome responsibility. It is a humbling task that calls for laying spiritual, mental, and physical groundwork. It is also a task that can be extremely challenging and, at times, leave you frustrated. So what happens when you are experiencing a "preaching crisis" or feeling frustrated with your sermon or personal preparation process? In *On Preaching*, H. B. Charles, Jr. wants to encourage, challenge, and motivate you through the personal and pastoral insights he's learned over the years. Whether you are just starting to preach or have been preaching for some time, these insights will help you improve on

your preparation process and undergird your efforts to be the kind of preacher others must listen to.

This is a great, practical book about preaching. A friend of mine recommended this book to read for a small group that we are in together. Each of us would take turns reading a different section weekly and share what we have learned. After a while I decided that I must get this book for myself. God has used this book to help each of us grow as ministers and as preachers.

Fantastic easy to follow read. Great principles to work into sermon prep. Loved this and recommended it to the pastor staff at my Church

Wonderful and a breath of fresh air. H.B. Charles Jr. did a wonderful job describing the entire aspect of preaching. He has the right perspective of putting Christ first and exalting Him not ourselves. His last few chapters really pushed me especially with this line God can't really use us if "We want to be somebody". Great job H.B. and thanks for the wonderful tips!

Great book! This is an easy-to-read book with a great deal of practical help for preachers. Very satisfied with this purchase and I recommend it!

The book is an on-hands guide to preaching. The Author gives you the basics from Text Selection to Closing the sermon. The information is most helpful for the lay and full-time preachers. The Value-add is the author's blog site. There is a wealth of information on the blog that you can put into use this Sunday. This tool will help your preaching.

I'm a veteran preacher and most preaching books are for the new pastor. This book speaks both to the novice and the experienced. With a humble voice, H.B., hits passionately on key topics for the preacher. He also has a chapter for the associate pastor that is worth the price of the book! I bought several to use with my associate pastors to develop their preaching.

On Preaching is one of the better books on preaching I have read in recent years. Pastor Charles provides sage insight and pointed practicality on preaching. Not only did the practical approach to preaching benefit me, also the ease of reading allowed full concepts to be grasped. I suggest this book to the novice preacher how is serious about preaching for transformation and salvation.

The author immediately pulled me in. So much so that I did a YouTube search. Upon hearing him preach I was able to identify even more with his method of preaching. I have already recommended this book to my accountability partner and I will be providing it as a gift to my staff of Elders.

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