

God Speaks Scripture Speaks
Scripture Speaks God Speaks Pt3
Galatians 3:8

Review

Amos 3:7 Surely the Lord GOD does nothing Unless He reveals His secret counsel To His servants the prophets.

Amos 4:13 For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth unto man what is his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The LORD, The God of hosts, is his name.

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The Ten Commandments.

God's directives for the kings of Israel. Deut 17:14–20

God's directives concerning false prophets. Deut 18:20

God's right as creator over His creation. Psalm 100:3; Romans 9:20–21

God's directive on salvation. John 3:36; Romans 10:11, 13, 17

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Matthew 7:13–14, 21–23; John 14:6; Acts 4:12

Galatians 3:8 The Scripture foreseeing ... **PREACHED** ...

Peter Taylor Forsyth (1848–1921) "Surely if there is an authority it must be external. It must come to us, and not rise out of us. It must come down on a man and not proceed from him. It is a word to our race, not from it."

Forsyth stated that, "It is, perhaps, an overbold beginning, but I will venture to say that with its preaching Christianity stands or falls." Hughes Oliphant Old, boldly states, "... one could say that America is a nation that was created by preaching." Over forty years ago, David Martyn Lloyd-Jones without any hesitation would have insisted that, "The most urgent need in the Christian church is true biblical preaching. ." The voices of today's church leaders echo the same dire need for a return to preaching. Mark Dever, adamantly states, "Churches today must be recovered. They must once again put the word of God at the center; and that happens most fundamentally through preaching." John MacArthur and Steve Lawson both agree that a great spiritual famine in the land is brought about by the absence of solid biblical preaching. Steve Lawson clearly believes in the priority of preaching. He states, "Biblical preaching must *always* occupy the leading place of influence in the life of any church." He goes on to say that "not only is

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preaching the foremost responsibility of the preacher, but that it is also the foremost responsibility of the church.”

Preaching during the period represented by the Torah

God commanded creation to come into existence. Psalm 33:6–12

God commanded Adam not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

God commanded Noah to take certain animals with him in the ark.

God commanded Abram to God go forth from Ur of the land of the Chaldeans.

God preached to Moses. Exodus 34:6–8

Enoch preached about God’s coming judgment. Jude 14,15

Noah was a preacher of righteousness. 2 Peter 2:5

Moses was a preacher (Deut.1:1; 5:4–5)

Preaching of Isaiah

Isa 6:3–7 Isaiah’s preparation.

Isa 6:8 Isaiah’s determination.

Isa 6:9–11 Isaiah’s Resolution.

Preaching of Jeremiah

Jeremiah 1:4–10, 17–19; 2:1–2 God’s call to Jeremiah to preach

Jeremiah 2:8; 5:30–21 Madness in the pulpit

2:2, 4–8 the absurdity of man’s wicked response to the goodness of God.

7:2–7 God’s blessing to the truly repentant.

19:2–9 Calamity for the unrepentant.

Jonah 3:2 “Arise, go to Nineveh the great city and proclaim to it the proclamation which I am going to tell you.”

Zechariah 1:14 So the angel who was speaking with me said to me, “Proclaim, saying, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, “I am exceedingly jealous for Jerusalem and Zion.

Zechariah 1:17 “Again, proclaim, saying, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, “My cities will again overflow with prosperity, and the LORD will again comfort Zion and again choose Jerusalem.” ’ ”

Matthew 3:1 "Now in those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness" When these prophets spoke it was God who was speaking.

Zechariah 7:7 ‘Are not these the words which the LORD proclaimed by the former prophets, when Jerusalem was inhabited and prosperous along with its cities around it, and the Negev and the foothills were inhabited?’ ”

Isaiah 48:1–5 “I declared the former things long ago And they went forth from My mouth, and I proclaimed them. Suddenly I acted, and they came to pass. **5** Therefore I declared them to you long ago, Before they took place I proclaimed them to you, So that

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you would not say, 'My idol has done them, And my graven image and my molten image have commanded them.'