THE MESSAGE WORKSHOP

PREACH

Student Workbook

One message. A clear process you can use again.

THIS WORKBOOK BELONGS TO _____

WELCOME TO THE WORKSHOP

Build one message. Learn a repeatable process.

This workshop will help you study a Bible passage, choose one main point, and write a message. You will practice the PREACH process once. Then you can use it again.

YOUR WORKSHOP PASSAGES

- [ ] Mark 2:1-12
- [ ] Matthew 9:1-8
- [ ] Luke 5:17-26

WHAT YOU WILL MAKE

- [ ] One main passage, one focus, and one clear point
- [ ] A full first draft and a closing prayer

HOW THE WORKSHOP MOVES

01 **Study the passage**
Notice what is there and choose your point.

02 **Teach the passage**
Anchor your message in Scripture and center it on who God is.

03 **Create the opening**
Move from real life into the Bible without making the opening the whole message.

04 **Finish, practice, and pray**
Put the message in speaking order and get your reps.

REMEMBER Pray before you study, while you write, while you practice, and before you speak. Your work matters, but God is the One who changes people.

THE HEART OF A MESSENGER

A messenger speaks to serve.

A messenger does not speak to prove something, win approval, or impress the room. In John 13, Jesus went low and washed His disciples' feet. We start with that same heart.

“What do they need from me?”

THE QUESTION THAT CHANGES THE WHOLE MESSAGE

PERFORMANCE ASKS

“What will they think about me?”

SERVICE ASKS

“What do they need from me?”

THE LENS FOR THE WHOLE MESSAGE

Think about the people who will be in the room. What might they be going through? What will help them understand the passage and see who God is?

KEEP MOVING Go right to Video 2. You will start writing after you learn how to study the passage and choose your point.

PREPARE THE PASSAGE · CHOOSE YOUR POINT

Start with what the text actually says.

Read slowly. Notice honestly. Compare carefully. Then choose one faithful direction that helps your room see who God is.

P R E A C H

READ ALL THREE PASSAGES

Discover — what do you notice?

Read each passage more than once. Write down actions, repeated ideas, surprises, details, and anything you keep noticing.

- [ ] Mark 2:1-12
- [ ] Matthew 9:1-8
- [ ] Luke 5:17-26
- [ ] I prayed before reading

What do you notice?

ACTIONS · WORDS · SURPRISES · DETAILS

STAY CURIOUS

What questions do you have?

Do not rush to an answer. Write the questions the passage raises before you reach for a study tool.

My questions

PEOPLE · SETTING · WORDS · MEANING

PRAY Ask the Holy Spirit to help you know what is true and write something that helps people.

COMPARE THE PASSAGES

See the whole story from three angles.

What is in all three passages? What is different? What does each writer focus on? What does Jesus say or do more than once?

What is the same?

ACROSS ALL THREE ACCOUNTS

What is different?

UNIQUE DETAILS OR EMPHASIS