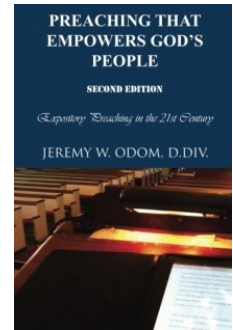




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## **Preaching that Empowers God's People** ***Expository Preaching in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*** **By Jeremy W. Odom, D.Div.**

### **Two-Line Book Synopsis**

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### **Long Book Description**

In *Preaching that Empowers God's People*, Dr. Jeremy Odom presents the case for expository preaching—what this is and why this is the preferable form of preaching. While recognizing some of the dangers of expository preaching (if it is not done right), he argues that the exposition of a passage from Scripture is far less likely to stray from the intent of the Word than are other forms of sermonizing.

Odom also argues that biblical exposition must not be confused with interpretation (exegesis). Although the expository sermon includes the results of biblical exegesis, it is much more than the latter. Although in part a defense of expository preaching, Odom's book is much more than this. Not only does he show, by means of practical examples, what an expository sermon might look like, but he also shows how illustrations, stories, analogies, and the like can be used effectively in the context of biblical exposition.

He also gives many practical suggestions for how preachers can become better public speakers and therefore more effective presenters of the Gospel. (The last chapter of the book, "Sermon Do's and Don'ts," is one all preachers should read, even those who do not consistently use the expository method.) *Preaching that Empowers God's People* is a worthwhile read for anyone in the pastoral ministry—even those who have been preachers for many years. For that matter, laypeople can also benefit from it, if for no other reason than that it will increase one's understanding of what constitutes good preaching.