

The Three Developmental Questions

Biblical Preaching

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Explain it: _____?

- This has to do with understanding.
 - What does it mean?
 - What do I need to explain?
 - What won't my listeners understand?

Prove it: _____?

- This has to do with belief.
 - Is it true?
 - Do we believe that?
 - Do we buy it? Do we know why it's true?
 - Why is this statement true?
 - Do I need to prove or defend this?
- Why doesn't someone "buy into" something:

1.

2.

3.

Apply it: _____?

- **This has to do with behavior.**

- So what?
- What difference does it make in my life?
- What does it look like in everyday situations?
- Where does it show up in real life? What does it look like?
- What ought to happen?

GOAL: SHOW HOW THE BIBLE IS RELEVANT FOR THEIR LIFE

WAYS TO BE RELEVANT IS IN THE DETAILS!

HOW DO I ACCOMPLISH THAT?

“Good preachers are always trying to turn the ear to an eye.”
Haddon Robinson