



SERMON

HO-HUM WORSHIP

Have you endured
some boring
sermons?

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The sermon takes about half of the time we spend in a worship service.

How is the sermon – worship?

Why is it often difficult to follow the lesson?

Why do we allow our minds to wander?

WHAT IS A SERMON?

Sermon = a planned, organized speech on a spiritual subject

In prayer – we speak to God

In the sermon – God speaks to us

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Inform — Here is what God wants you to know / do

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Challenge us to obey / improve / change

WHAT CAN THE LISTENER DO?

Be alert – rested – mind ready to learn

- Prepare for Sunday on Saturday evening
- Know you want to be alert for worship

Make application –

- I can use that in my life
- I need to improve in this

WHAT CAN THE LISTENER DO?

Not every response is one who comes forward

- Did you learn?
- Were you challenged to improve or change?
- Did you decide to work on these things?

How do you respond to each sermon?