

Calling Rulers to Repentance

“So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people” (Luke 3:18).

Sermon Questions

1. Do you think the church has a duty to call rulers to repentance? (Yes/No)
2. A prophet is a _____ for God
3. John publicly rebuked a ruler. This was unusual for faithful prophets to do. (Yes/No)
4. Who or what is the prophetic voice in the world today? _____
5. Unbelievers are bound to the standards of God’s law and must be warned. (Yes/No)
6. The real threat to our faithfulness in calling rulers to repentance is _____.
7. We attack the _____ when we don’t like the message.
8. Fill out the practical remarks based on what we see in John’s ministry:
 - i. _____ of the church’s ministry is to call rulers to repentance.
 - ii. We must heed the _____ ourselves.
 - iii. We must not make it about _____.
 - iv. We need to make room for differing _____.
 - v. We must remember that the goal is _____.

Discussion/Meditation Questions

1. Are there other objections you've heard (or had) to the church speaking into the sins of our day and calling for repentance? How would you answer them?

2. When are you tempted to be silent in speaking truth? Why?

3. What areas of sin do you avoid speaking about because you fail in these areas too?

4. How does remembering that the goal/end is Christ protect us from error when we call rulers to repentance?