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ABSTRACT

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This research project develops and determines the effectiveness of Intentional Expository Sermon Planning to influence spiritual growth among the people in a local congregation. This method of preparation takes into account the overall flow of the biblical book being taught and at the same time develops messages where the main point of each passage is emphasized and specific points of application are accentuated. Intentional Expository Sermon Planning is a comprehensive approach to preparing a sequential series of life-transforming messages covering a book of the Bible in a passage-by-passage manner.

This Applied Research Project utilized an Intentional Expository Sermon Plan for teaching the Book of Revelation to increase the spiritual development of the believers at Fellowship Bible Church in Waco, Texas, and assessed the effectiveness of this strategy. The research method utilized for this project was program evaluation which assessed the effectiveness of Intentional Expository Sermon Planning for increasing the spiritual growth of the people hearing messages developed by this program in the areas of comprehension (knowledge), convictions (biblical beliefs, values, and attitudes), and conduct (behavior).
Through the use of a pre-test and post-test survey, this Applied Research Project quantitatively examined the effectiveness of Intentional Expository Sermon Planning to effect spiritual growth. The results of this research project confirm that utilizing Intentional Expository Sermon Planning for teaching a biblical book can increase the spiritual maturity in a congregation in the areas of comprehension, convictions, and conduct in a verifiable manner that is statistically significant.
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