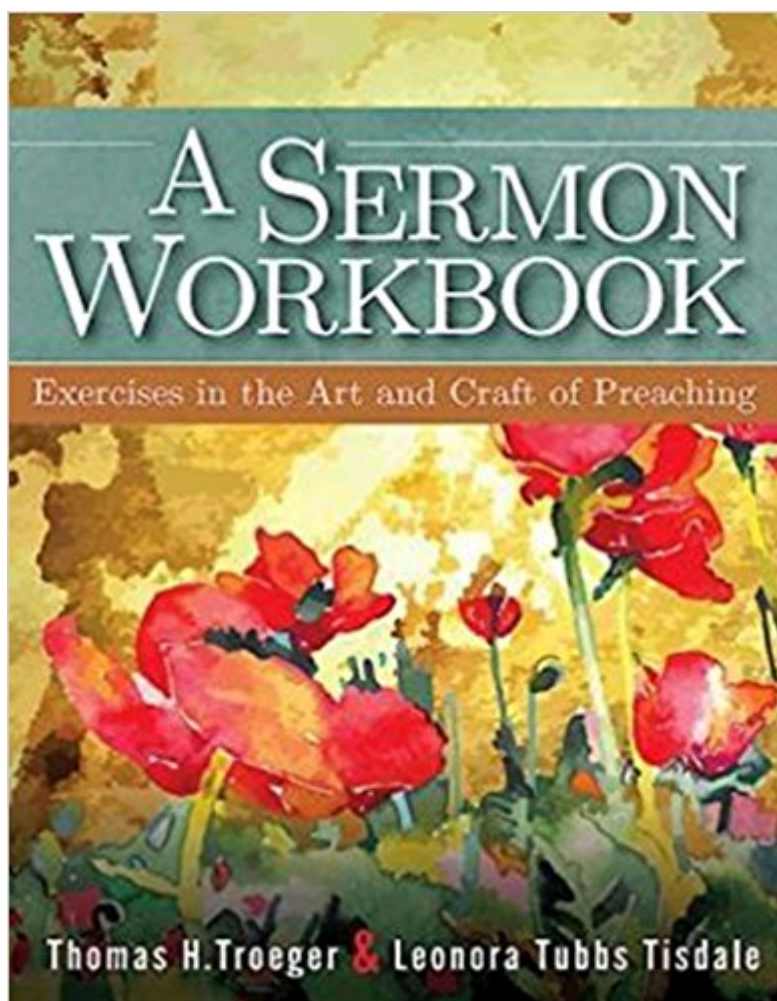


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# A Sermon Workbook: Exercises In The Art And Craft Of Preaching



## Synopsis

Every preacher, from the novice to the most experienced, needs fresh inspiration to build new skills and to inject creativity into their sermon preparation. A Sermon Workbook addresses the essentials for effective preaching in our multi-tasking, multi-ethnic, sound-bite society. It offers theological clarity about why we preach, and what matters most. The esteemed teaching team of Tom Troeger and Nora Tisdale invite the reader into their Yale Divinity School classroom, guiding the reader to build skill upon skill, working through inventive and engaging exercises. The workbook format can be used in a linear fashion, beginning to end. Or readers can pick and choose the chapters to tailor-fit their own needs. In either case, this is a remarkable and flexible resource, instantly accessible and useful for anyone tasked with the proclamation of the Word.

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I recommend *A Sermon Workbook* for anyone desiring to preach. I have a master's in preaching and this covers the gamut of exercises that one would need in order to become proficient in *The Word*. Again, a great tool!

Great book! It really helps to get a minister into the mindset of preparing a sermon! It also uses fabulous examples from other seminarians!

Great tool for getting the mind out of the exegetical and into the pastoral.

This thin text is facile and glib, without intellectual substance. The section on multiple intelligences is egregiously misguided and misleading. The only reason for three stars is that it is accessible for a person with very limited theological background and it provides a very elementary framework for people with poor basic writing skills. If you have written even one decent sermon in your life, don't bother.

Very helpful for the new preacher.

will be an asset

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