

# Preaching in the New Testament

Preliminary Ideas

# Jesus Preached

*For example:*

- Luke 4.43-44
  - “I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, for I was sent for this purpose.” So he kept on preaching in the synagogues of Judea.
- Mark 1.39.
  - “And He went into their synagogues throughout all Galilee, preaching and casting out the demons.”

- And before that
  - John the Baptist preached. Mark 1.4
- But before that? Acts 15.21
  - There was preaching in Synagogues
- And before that?
  - The prophets preached. Jonah 1.2
- And after Jesus preached
  - John, Peter & Paul preached. Acts 5.42, Acts 8.25, Acts 9.20

# Preaching words

- Ευγγελιζωμαι Proclaim good news.
- Λαλεω Speak.
- Κηρυσσω Preach/Proclaim.

# Kerysso

- My summary of the word according to TDNT
  - **In the Greek world**—cry out loud, declare, announce. To make known, herald.
  - In religious contexts—announcements relative to games and feasts, contests, winners, conferring honors.
  - **In OT.** 33x for various Hebrew words. Not prominent. To cry out by a herald. Sometimes prophetic pronouncements.
  - **In NT.** Declaration of an event. 61x (there are several other words in use).

# Synagogue Preaching

- “It is impossible to conclude that a particular pattern of practices prevailed among the synagogues. Missionary homilies, propaganda addresses, legal halakic discourses and extremely loose haggadic instructive sermons were all characteristic of the intertestamental synagogue.” (Worley)