

Psalm 49 • How to Preach the Gospel

1. (v.1-4) An authentic public witness and testimony has the best chance of being **effective** when it comes from a faith putting God's **Word** into practice. To preach the **truth**, one must live the **truth**.
2. (v.5-9) A biblical public witness and testimony is concerned with the **false trust** of the things of this life and the **consequences** for the next.
3. (v.10-12) Non-believers need to be **challenged** to see that the way they seek to make their name and legacy live on in future earthly generations is exactly what **Christ** offers, except in how and what it is **spent** on.
4. (v.13-15) A biblical public witness and testimony communicates the fact that those who **trusted** the most in their earthly **homes** will find none in eternity, while those who places their trust in **God** are received eternally into **His**.
5. A biblical public witness and testimony is not a call to physical **poverty**, but to spiritual **submission**. It is a call to **devote** all to the Lord so as to both attain a lasting **legacy** and leave behind something which genuinely **matters** to others.