# **Out of Season:**



# Clear & Compassionate Preaching for Confusing Times





#### Class One: The Word

The word of God is living and active (Heb. 4:12), and uniquely able to transform hearts and minds. In this class we will talk about what it means to have a high view of scripture, the dangers of syncretizing, and the importance of contextualization, just to name a few. The goal is to let the message spring from God's word, not the preachers plan or personality.

## Class Two: The Preacher

As God uses us, we do bring the truth through our unique perspective, personality and experience. We will discuss how to approach the craft of preaching, how to prepare yourself spiritually, and ways to find your own voice while proclaiming the powerful message of God's timeless truth.

## **Class Three: The Hearers**

Our preaching is done in real time and space. The Holy Spirit empowers us to passionately deliver the truth of God's word to the people under our care. This class will be a discussion about understanding your people, your context, and the challenges they face daily in a world that is growing increasinlyly hostile to their faith.

"Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths."

2 Timothy 4:2-4

Now more than ever, preachers and teachers in God's church need to bring a clear and compassionate voice to the pulpit. The thing is, it's growing increasingly difficult in a post-Christian society. This workshop serves as a series of classes and discusions around the craft of preaching, combining our current realities with a commitment to theological intergity.