



LISTEN UP  
GETTING THE MOST OUT OF EXPOSITORY PREACHING  
1 THESSALONIANS 2:13

Ben Blakey - Compass Bible Church - December 26, 2021

1. Understand \_\_\_\_\_

*1 Thessalonians 2:13 (ESV)  
13 And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.*

2. Own \_\_\_\_\_

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## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Evaluate your weekly preparation for hearing expository preaching. How could prayer help you better prepare? Is there anything in your “pre-church routine” that would help you be more prepared to hear God’s Word well?

2. Read Ephesians 3:20-21. Why is it so easy to get to a place where you are expecting “just another Sunday” at church? How should the truths of this passage affect your expectations and how will that affect your preparation for next weekend at church?

3. What are the biggest distractions you face on a weekly basis during the preaching of God’s Word? What can you do to minimize those?

4. How could you be more of an “active” listener during preaching?

5. **Read James 1:22-25.** As you consider your response to regular preaching, how could you be a more faithful “doer” rather than just a “hearer”?

### RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

*Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these books are worth considering and reading.*

Fabarez, Mike. *Preaching that Change Lives.*

Ramey, Ken. *Expository Listening.* Kress Biblical Resources, 2010.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray that the Word would always be faithfully taught at CBCTV.  
 Pray that CBCTV would be full of faithful listeners.  
 Pray that our expectations would be raised for what God can do in 2022!  
 Thank God for what he has done in your life and in our church this year.  
 Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

## REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING

Date	O.T.	Psalms	Gospels	N.T.
12/27	Haggai 1-2	Psalms 147:12-20	John 20:1-10	Revelation 20
12/28	Zechariah 1-5	Psalms 148:1-6	John 20:11-18	Revelation 21:1-14
12/29	Zechariah 6-9	Psalms 148:7-14	John 20:19-31	Revelation 21:15-27
12/30	Zechariah 10-14	Psalms 149	John 21:1-14	Revelation 22:1-11
12/31	Malachi 1-4	Psalms 150	John 21:15-25	Revelation 22:12-21
1/1	Genesis 1-3	-	Luke 1:1-4	John 1:1-18