

Pew to Pulpit Sermon Preparation Form

Year: _____ Sunday _____ Date _____

Old Testament _____

Psalm _____

New Testament _____

Gospel _____

Chapter 4

1. Indicate the passage chosen _____

2. How does the passage make you feel? _____

3. Memories the text evokes _____

4. Images from art, TV shows, or life _____

5. Review the scripture and list, by verse, the factual questions that arise (attach)

6. Think about the story from the perspective of the various characters. What would the characters do or say? _____

7. How does the text fit with the rest of the book? _____

8. What does the text say about who God is? Jesus is? The church is? What salvation means? _____

9. What might God be saying to you through this text? _____

10. How will the congregation hear this text? _____

TAKE A BREAK – LET IT STEEP

Chapter 5

- 1. Read the passage in a study Bible and list any other questions or variations which arise

- 2. Read at least two chapters before and two chapters after the text. Put the passage in context.

- 3. Use a concordance, dictionary or encyclopedia to begin to answer your questions. (attach)

- 4. What is the background culture of the text (p.49)?

- 5. What are the literary qualities of the text (p.51)?

- 6. What is the theological context of the text (p. 53)?

7. What is the history of the text (p.54)? _____

8. Read the commentaries and make notes _____

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Chapter 6

1. How did you connect with the text? How does it apply to you and your faith?

2. Identify the one theme or main idea on which to focus _____

3. What action do you want the listeners to take as a result of this sermon? Is the focus head, heart or gut? _____

4. Identify a central metaphor _____

Using Chapters 7 and 8, write the sermon for your assigned date.