

- b. Poor outlining
- c. Not seeing your audience
- d. Purposeless self-degradation and there is a purposeful sort.
- e. Arrogance: I know it but you don't.

These need greater development but in a short seminar there is time to mention them but not to expand them very much.

B. Your Audience

1. Be thankful for whoever is there
2. Watch for special needs
3. Be alert to particular problems that may arise.
4. Do not allow some audience misbehavior to distract you. If a disciplinary word must be said....say it softly and lovingly. If it is a major problem ask the officials of the fellowship to intercede.
5. Do not attempt to psychologize the audience and imagine that you know what everyone is thinking. If someone looks negative or displeased be glad that at least that party is paying attention.
6. And while I will not say much about political correctness (!) remember that we are a diverse society and we want to reach people not repel them.

C. And a word about your task:

Whatever the particular details are, your task is to honor them and to serve well the Lord who has allowed you this role in time. The bulk of accomplishment is the work of the Spirit...we are His tools, so to speak, and to be faithful to the work of Grace and the Lord who loves us is a happy task for which there is no regret. Don't be afraid to jump into it. There is a great reward, at any level, in presenting the truth of God.