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1. **A \_\_\_\_\_ Soul**

Prepare your soul by asking God to give you a hunger for the Word, an eagerness to receive it, and ears to hear it joyfully. With preaching you get what you pray for, and you get what you prepare for. Pleading with God to speak a word of truth into your life from the message you are about to hear is a great way to build up your appetite and expectation for how God is about to speak in your life.

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2. **A \_\_\_\_\_ Body**

If you were desperate to hear God's Word, wouldn't you spend some time getting prepared so you could get the most out of it? Express to the Lord in prayer your desire to come rested to worship: "Lord, I want to give you my best tomorrow and come in fresh, rested, and focused."

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3. **An \_\_\_\_\_ Mind** (Romans 12:1-2)

We need to ask God for the Spirit's help so we can concentrate when the Word is being preached. One of the ways we love God with all our minds is through the discipline of focused thinking. Prepare your mind by renewing it with the Word of God (Rom 12:1-2). Meditate on Scripture and allow it to calibrate your mind for preaching.

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4. **A \_\_\_\_\_ Spirit** (Psalm 86:11)

A teachable spirit cries out to God: "Lord, I confess my limited knowledge. I don't know it all, and I don't have it all figured out. Please teach me your truth and wisdom. Give me a humble, teachable spirit."

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5. **A \_\_\_\_\_ Faith** (Hebrews 4:2)

God will speak to you through his Word in the preaching moment. Do you have faith that God will strengthen you by speaking truth into your life through preaching?

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6. **A \_\_\_\_\_ Heart** (Colossians 3:16)

Worship prepares the heart to receive the Word. As you praise and worship God, you are freshly surrendering to him as the Lord of your life. Don't just go through the motions, but ask God to fully engage your heart, mind, and voice in worship.

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7. **An \_\_\_\_\_ Bible**

Bringing a Bible to church communicates an expectation you have as a listener: I am going to open and study my Bible at church today. An open Bible says, "Teach me Lord. I am ready to listen."

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8. **A \_\_\_\_\_ Response** (James 1:22)

Having a ready response means coming to preaching with a predetermination in our hearts to obey the Word of the Lord. Asking God before, during, and after the message how he wants you to respond primes the pump for faithful obedience.

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9. **A \_\_\_\_\_ Truth**

If you tell someone what you learned in the message, the truth will stick in you and spread to others. Lunch on Sunday is a great time to share since the message is still fresh on everyone's mind. Families may get together on a Sunday evening and reflect back on the day's message.

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