

#GCICHURCHHACKS

The Bible discusses the importance of both preaching and teaching throughout the New Testament. However, preaching is uniquely tied to the worship gathering, while teaching has a more general application. Teaching lays the foundation for basic information about who God is but preaching adds on the layer of an inspired response. Use the infographic below to distinguish between teaching and the preaching of a Sunday service.

TEACHER vs. PREACHER

Teacher: is focused on gradual **training** and **development**.



» **Indicative:** Tells us what is. Outlines truths about who God is.

» Knowledge based. Analyzing the meaning & context of scripture and digs deeper into Theology.



Preacher: is **Spirit inspired** and **encourages listeners** to live differently in light of the truth brought forth in the message.

» **Imperative:** Tells us what to do. The message sparks a change in perspective and transformation of agenda.

» **Inspirational:** central part of a worship service. Theme of the message connects with the other portions of the service and sends the congregation out to share the message with their community.

» **Revelation:** a preacher needs to have the gift of dynamically presenting God's Word that connects with the listeners in practical ways.

» **Relevant:** a preacher connects to the needs of the audience and is in tune with the culture. There is vulnerability in preaching where the pastor's heart and experience reflect that of Christ's for the church.

