

**Prepare to Care: Prioritizing Personal Engagement with Scripture**  
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- Why prepare?
  - We are ministering the Word and it deserves appropriate handling.  
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  - We are ministering to people and they deserve appropriate handling.  
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- Why don't we prepare?
  - We don't fully realize our need.  
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  - We don't fully realize our call.  
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  - We are busy, distracted people.  
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  - We have been successful without it.  
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- What does preparation look like?
  - Focused time in the Word  
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  - Looking at who God is  
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  - Looking at who you are  
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  - Prayer  
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- Resources for preparation