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TO BAPTIST PREACHERS IN

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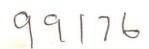
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c. The preacher has to be alert to see and use the sermon ideals from Christian magazines (like Today's Challenge), denominational publications (like The Nigerian Baptist), Christian novels, newspapers and magazines, personal life experiences, books of poems, proverbs, hymn books, continuing education by extension (TEE), etc. 15

H. CONCLUSION

Finally, having made some suggestions for the Baptist preacher, especially the one in Northern Nigeria, the writer now concludes this research work by making the following remarks.

Baptist preachers must constantly reflect upon their preachings from time to time, and from congregation to congregation, in order that the needs of the members will always be met.

Preachers must attempt to vary their methods of sermon deliveries. The traditional methods of effective communication must be examined and then applied so that the congregations can comprehend the message better.

Preachers must give an invitation in almost every sermon preached. These invitations must be varied in the method of presentation. Do not be afraid to try any of the suggestions given in this thesis. Only be

¹⁵ Emiola Nihinlola and Sani Yero Magaji, "Preaching Without Adequate Resources in the African Context," M.Th. Seminar Paper, Ogbomoso: Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary, November 1994, p. 12.

sure not to let your eagerness for creativity and innovation lead you into faulty hermeneutics. No matter how interesting your sermon may be, it will not be a biblical message if it does not interpret accurately the Scripture it deals with.

Select the form of sermon that will meet the needs of your congregation at a particular time. Try to reason on what method will be best or appropriate for your congregation from this particular text.

It is hoped that these suggestions will serve as catalysts for new ideas for other researchers on the subject of variety in biblical preaching in Northern Nigeria.