

### One Minute Sermon

When I was in college at Lubbock Christian, I had the opportunity to get to know many young men who eventually became ministers of the gospel of Christ. One of these young men became the minister of a large congregation in San Antonio and later an equally large congregation in Midland. He lost his wife to cancer in 1999 and faced a number of personal problems that caused him to leave the ministry. He has returned to the ministry and has faced much criticism, even from some in our brotherhood. While moving into the office in the annex, I came across an email he had sent to me during one of the toughest times in his life. In it was included something he had seen and wanted to share with others. Though short, it says so very much about the person he was then and continues to be. It is obvious that he has, through all of his difficulties, continued to maintain a very close relationship with God.

The "One Minute Sermon"

He loves.

He made.

We sinned.

He came.

He died.

He lives.

He paid.

We're forgiven.

It's free.

No strings.

Spread the word so they can choose, death or Jesus.

Do it to say thank you, not to get points.

He's coming back to pick us up.

Until He does, talk to Him and stick together.

Be nice.

Don't fight.

Laugh together.

Cry together.

Help each other.

Try not to hurt each other.

When you hurt each other, be sorry.

When you do get hurt, forgive.

Keep getting better at both.

Look for stuff that's good.

Meanwhile....

Try to be more like Him.

Wait.

And while you're waiting...love.

(Lynn Cummings)

Great, biblical advice concerning how to live a happy, contented life.