ODACS RULES
ELEMENTARY, LEVEL I, GRADES 4-6

AREA ONE: BIBLE

BIBLE PREACHING GENERAL RULES
1. Entry will be restricted to young men.
2. Each student will prepare a sermon between 3 and 7 minutes in length. (See General Information, page 4.)
3. A timer, visible to the preacher, will be provided to help him stay within the time limits.
4. Each student will present three copies of his typewritten sermon outline to the judge at the time of delivery.
5. The outline guidelines are as follows:
   a. It should be done in a standard subordination format.
   b. It should be done in sentence form, with transition sentences.
   c. It should include a written introduction and conclusion.
   d. It should include a title, theme, and Scripture references.
6. The King James Version will be the only authorized translation for ODACS competition.
7. Only one round of competition will be conducted unless an additional round is required by the tie-breaking procedure.
8. Recording is absolutely prohibited except for the recording of a single entry by representatives of the participant's school for personal use. The recording of all or portions of the performance of more than one entry in any event is prohibited. In any case, the head judge may prohibit recording. No recording made by anyone other than competition officials may be considered for adjudication purposes.

Category 5: Evangelistic Preaching   Time Limit 3-7 minutes

An evangelistic sermon may be expository, topical, or textual, but one which is primarily directed toward the lost, with the goal of drawing them to Christ. Since an evangelistic sermon may be textual in nature, it is good to have a definition of textual preaching also. A textual sermon is one in which the main divisions are derived from a text consisting of a brief portion of Scripture. Each of these divisions is then used as a line of suggestion, and the text provides the theme of the sermon.