

Preaching Ministry

I - The Development of significant trends

1. The first significant trend developing in the Christian era ^{preaching} was the rise of the Apostolic fathers. Here we get an emphasis placed on the resurrection and imminent return of Christ. This period is divided into two groups (1) the Disciples (2) Paul
2. The second significant trend which developed in the Christian era was the Age of the Apologist. This was the period in which there was an attempt to ~~mediate~~ give indication for the Christian faith.
3. The third significant trend which developed in the Christian era was that of the Reformation. Immediately after the middle ages two events came about which affected the trend of preaching to a great extent. (1) the passing of the Feudal system. (2) the rise of the Renaissance. These events brought about a great change in the method of preaching. During this period preaching ~~fell~~ ^{fell}