

**April 2, 2006**

## For Your Information ...

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**Guests!** We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Give us an opportunity to meet you today and introduce ourselves by staying around for coffee in the foyer after the service. Also, please assist us by **filling out the Guest Pad** when it is passed during worship.

**Welcome Station:** Located in the foyer, our Welcome Station is designed to assist you in understanding the ministry of Redeemer. Please help yourself to the purple guest packets, the Kerygma, our newsletter pronounced ke-rig'me, and other materials.

**Redeemer Presbyterian Church** is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a member of South Texas Presbytery. For more information about Redeemer Church visit: [www.redeemersa.org](http://www.redeemersa.org). For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America visit: [www.pcanet.org](http://www.pcanet.org).

**Community Groups:** Community Groups are small fellowships of six to twelve people meeting every other week in homes, apartments and restaurants throughout San Antonio. They are the first place where we hope our people turn for applying the gospel to their lives. To find out how you can join a community group, please contact the church office at 930-4480 or a community group leader identified on the Making Contact page in the bulletin.

**Book Table:** The books found here are designed to assist you in understanding the Christian life. If you want to purchase a book, please fill out the appropriate form with money enclosed. Sermon CDs are also available; simply sign up at the table. Make all checks payable to Redeemer Presbyterian Church.

## Sunday Schedule

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9:15-9:25 a.m. **Prayer**  
9:30-10:45 a.m. **Worship**  
11:00-12:00 p.m. **Christian Education**

## Nurseries

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Redeemer offers fully staffed nurseries for children ages newborn to 3 years of age. Redeemer encourages parents to utilize our *Training in the Pews* children's worship time during each service to better prepare your children, ages 3-5, for worship. All nurseries are at the Northeast end of the McAllister Fine Arts Center. (See map at **Welcome Station**.)

**Infants I:** newborn – 9 months

**Infants II:** 10 – 18 months

**Toddlers:** 19 months – 3 years

**Training the Pews:** 3 - 5 years

## Christian Education

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**Toddler I** (age 2)

**Toddler II** (age 3)

**Preschool** (ages 4-5)

**Primary I** (ages 6-7)

**Primary II** (ages 8-9)

**Junior** (ages 10-11)

**Youth** (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades)

**Pastor's Forum** (All ages)

Please see map at the **Welcome Station** for directions.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Redeemer Presbyterian Church

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*April 2, 2006*

*Fifth Sunday of Lent*

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### **Reflection & Preparation**

“The great difficulty with many Christians is that they cannot persuade themselves that Christ (or God) loves them; and the reason why they cannot feel confident of the love of God, is, that they know they do not deserve his love, on the contrary, that they are in the highest degree unlovely. How can the infinitely pure God love those who are defiled with sin, who are proud, selfish, discontented, ungrateful, disobedient? This, indeed, is hard to believe.” Charles Hodge

“That evening, when I was at my lowest, confounded by obstacles, bewildered by the darkness that surrounded us, unable even to continue preaching, I discovered an astonishing truth: God is attracted to weakness. He can’t resist those who humbly and honestly admit how desperately they need him. Our weakness makes room for his power” Jim Cymbala

“We have taken a wartime walkie-talkie and tried to turn it into a civilian intercom to call the servants for another cushion in the den...prayer is a walkie-talkie for warfare, not a domestic intercom for increasing our conveniences.” John Piper

“Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul. I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue. If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would have not have listened. But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!” Psalm 66:16-20

**Welcome and Announcements**

Dr. Clay Miller

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

The Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

**People: Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!**

Minister: Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

\*Hymn of Adoration

“All You That Fear Jehovah’s Name”



The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system contains five numbered verses. The second system contains a single line of lyrics. The third system contains a single line of lyrics.

1. All you that fear Je - ho - vah's name, his glo - ry tell, his  
2. The suf - f'ring One he has not spurned, who un - to him for  
3. O Lord, your good - ness makes me raise a - mid your peo - ple  
4. For all the meek you will pro - vide; they shall be fed and  
5. The Lord's un - fail - ing righ - teous - ness all gen - er - a - tions

praise pro - claim; you chil - dren of his cho - sen race, stand... in  
help has turned; from him he has not hid his face, but an - swered  
• songs of praise; be - fore all them that fear you, now I wor - ship  
sat - is - fied; all they that seek the Lord shall live and nev - er -  
shall con - fess; from age to age shall men be taught what won - drous

awe be - fore his face, stand... in awe be - fore his face.  
his re - quest in grace, but an - swered his re - quest in grace.  
• you and pay my vow, I wor - ship you and pay my vow.  
end - ing prais - es give, and nev - er - end - ing prais - es give.  
works the Lord has wrought, what won - drous works the Lord has wrought.

Words from Psalm 22; music from Frederick M. A. Venua

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

Mr. Gibbs

**The Reception of New Members**

Emery<sup>†</sup> Anthony  
Emma Dodson  
Thomas Gibbs, Jr.  
Glen and Ginny Glass  
Ansley Pantsari  
Henry, Mary Kessler, Henry, Jr., Wyatt\* and Lindy\* Sauer

\* Non-communing members

<sup>†</sup>Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism

**\*Song of Praise**

“O Lord, You’re Beautiful”

O Lord, you’re beautiful—your face is all I seek.  
For when your eyes are on this child, your grace abounds to me.

O Lord, please light the fire—that once burned bright and clear.  
Replace the lamp of my first love that burns with holy fear!

O Lord, you’re beautiful—your face is all I seek.  
For when your eyes are on this child, your grace abounds to me.

*Words and music by Keith Green*

**Scripture Warning**

Romans 3:20, 23; 6:23

Minister: For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

**People: For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. For the wages of sin is death.**

**Public Confession**

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

**All: Behold, the Lord's hand is not so short, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but our iniquities have separated us from God and our sins have hidden his face from us so that he does not hear. Our mouths are filled with anger, our lips are quick to speak lies and our eyes are filled with illicit and unnecessary desires. Our feet are swift to run to evil and our thoughts are the thoughts of iniquity. We have lost our way and are far from the way of peace. The roads we travel are crooked and desperate. We hope for light, but behold darkness. Lord, only you can intercede and bring health to us. Only your strong arm can bring us salvation. May the Redeemer of Zion save us.**

*Prayer adapted from Isaiah 59:1-12*

**Silent Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon and Comfort**

John 3:16-17

Minister: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

**\*Song of Renewal**

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”



1. How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in a be - liev - er's ear!
2. It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole, and calms the trou - bled breast;
3. Dear Name! the rock on which I build, my shield and hid - ing place,
4. Je - sus, my Shep - herd, Broth - er, Friend, my Proph - et, Priest, and King,



It soothes his sor - rows, heals his wounds, and drives a - way his fear.  
'tis man - na to the hun - gry soul, and to the wea - ry rest.  
my nev - er - fail - ing trea - s'ry filled with bound - less stores of grace;  
my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, ac - cept the praise I bring.

5. Weak is the effort of my heart,  
and cold my warmest thought;  
but when I see thee as thou art,  
I'll praise thee as I ought.

6. Till then I would thy love proclaim  
with every fleeting breath;  
and may the music of thy name  
refresh my soul in death.

*Words by John Newton; music by Alexander Reinagle*

**\*Scripture Reading**

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan McKenzie

Jeremiah 29:10-14

Luke 11:5-13

Reader:       The Word of the Lord!

People:       **Thanks be to God!**

**Prayers for Redeemer Church,  
San Antonio & the World**

Mr. Gibbs

**\*The Greeting of Peace**

Children, ages **three through five**, are dismissed through the side door to your right when facing the stage  
to *TRAINING IN THE PEWS*.

Minister:     Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as  
members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.

People:       **And also with you.**

**The Sermon**

Mr. Gibbs

***"Prayer in Focus"***

*Continuing the Series: Counter Culture for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

*Matthew 6: 7-15*

## Preparation for Communion

### A Word About Communion at Redeemer:

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called The Lord's Supper or The Eucharist, which means 'thanksgiving') is a time to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink wine. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ to refrain from partaking until doing so.

## The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin and by his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto Him who died for us and rose again. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

**All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Glory be to You, O Lord most high.**

## Prayer of Consecration

## Words of Institution

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again! Hallelujah!**

Minister: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Holy Communion

Starting with the two outer sections by rows, please form one line on the outer half of each center aisle. Upon approaching the front, please form a line in front of the first row of chairs of each outer section. After the two outer sections have partaken, the center section should proceed. Redeemer serves wine for communion. The center cup and inner circle of the tray contain grape juice for those desiring it. After partaking, place your cup in the baskets provided on the outside aisles and return to your seat. Please use the remaining time to sing and/or meditate as communion is being served.

## Prayers for Those Not Communing

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen. **Prayer of Searching for Truth**

Lord, Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen. **Prayer of Believing on Jesus**

Lord, Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and champion of my faith. Amen. **Prayer of Struggling Against Sin**

## Songs of Communion

### “Come, Ye Sinners”

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity joined with pow'r.  
He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come, ye needy, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance, ev'ry grace that brings you nigh,  
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;  
If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all:  
Not the righteous, not the righteous, sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;  
All the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him;  
This He gives you, this He gives you. 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! th' incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of His blood.  
Venture on Him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude:  
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, can do helpless sinners good. *(Repeat last line.)*

*Words by Joseph Hart; music by Darwin Jordan*

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The notes are: Bb2, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3. Chords are indicated above the staff: F, F, C7, F, Dm, Bb, Gm. The second staff continues the melody: Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3. Chords are: F, C7, F, C, C7, F. The third staff concludes the piece: Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3, Bb3, G3, F3. Chords are: Bb, F, C, F, C, F, Dm, C, F, Bb, F, C, F.

1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed,  
 2. Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse  
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing, al - ways, on - ly,  
 4. Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would

Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments and my days; let them  
 of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and  
 for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with  
 I with - hold. Take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry

flow in cease - less praise, let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 beau - ti - ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 mes - sag - es from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.  
 pow'r as thou shalt choose, ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will, and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne,  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure-store.  
 Take my self, and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee,  
 ever, only, all for thee.

Words by Francis R. Havergal; music by Henri A. César Malan

“The Church’s One Foundation”

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
She is His new creation by water and the Word.  
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish, her dear Lord to defend,  
To guide, sustain and cherish, is with her to the end;  
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,  
Against a foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
'Til with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell...  
That they may dwell, that we may dwell with Thee.

The Offering

Hymn of Blessing

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"



1. Our God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2. Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4. A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone;



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5. Our God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come:  
O be our guard while troubles last,  
and our eternal home.

*Words by Isaac Watts; music by William Croft*

**\*Benediction**

Mr. Gibbs

Minister: To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God, our Savior, be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, and before all ages now and forevermore!

**Postlude**

*\*The Congregation Stands*

*Pastor: Rev. Thomas C. Gibbs*

*Assistant Pastor of College and Youth: Rev. Justin G. Clement*

*Musicians: Brent Watkins, piano*

*Michael Shay, trombone; Patrick Shay, trumpet; Jessica Watkins, violin*

*Nate Murphy, bass guitar; James Romig, french horn; James Dante, flute*

*Song Leaders: Joel Cook, Jennifer Smith*

*(Music printed by permission: CCLI # 2357621)*

# REDEEMER Highlights.....April 4, 2006

## This Week

- Monday 9 p.m. **redeemer christian fellowship (rcf)** is having Bible study every Monday on campus at Trinity University in the Meditation Chapel
- Tuesday 11 a.m.-1p.m. **Redeemer Park Day:** Informal play and fellowship at Orsinger Park, I-10 and Huebner Road. Contact: Janelle Barsotti, 543-1593.
- Tuesday 7 p.m. **Newcomer's Dessert with Tom and Tara** at their home (219 Arcadia Pl., 78209). This informal time is designed to help you get to know the Gibbs and more fully Redeemer's vision.
- Wednesday 10-11:30 a.m. **Women's Bible Study (Morning)** at Alamo Heights United Methodist Church. Contact the office, 930-4480 for more info.
- Wednesday 7 p.m. **Women's Bible Study (Evening)** will meet every other Wednesday at La Madeline at Huebner and I-10. Contact Shauna Froelich at 520-1058.
- Thursday 6:30 – 7:45 a.m. **Men's Bible Study** taught by Pastor Tom Gibbs. Meet at Denny's (in the Blanco Junction Shopping Center at 410 and Blanco Rd.) for breakfast, fellowship and a great study. Contact Jeff Judson at 822-1292.

## Upcoming Events

- April 14 6 p.m. **Good Friday Service:** Please join us for Redeemer's Good Friday Service at McAllister Fine Arts Center. There will be no child care available.
- April 16 9:30 a.m. **Easter Service:** Come to Redeemer's Easter Worship Service with your family and friends at the usual worship time. There will be no Christian Education Hour on this day.

## Making Contact

Administrative.....Harriet Peavy; Carri Jobe 930-4480  
Book Table/ Media ..... Jim Faucett 602-0213  
Children’s Ministries..... Krisanne Stolhandske 930-4480  
Community Life & Outreach.....Tom Gibbs 930-4480  
Financial (church).....Bob George 822- 2016  
Local and World Missions.....John Fitch 824-5973  
Men’s Ministries.....Jeff Judson 822-1292  
Mercy/ Financial Aid.....Jake Gray 320-7922  
Music Ministry..... Brent Watkins 512-567-4045  
Pastoral Care (Membership, Doctrine, Illness, Counseling).....Tom Gibbs 930-4480  
Training in the Pews.....Janelle Barsotti 543-1593  
Usher/ Greeter Coordination.....Jason Register 829-0747  
Women’s Ministries.....Mary Williams 930-5915; Shauna Froelich 520-1058  
Worship/ Event Assistance.....Ken Harrison 828-8864  
Youth/College..... Justin Clement 930-4480  
Redeemer Prayer Requests.....930-4480, ext. 330

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## Serving Today

**Infants (9:30):** Andy and Kelly Muck  
**Toddlers (9:30):** Tara Russell, Hannah Stukey  
**Training in the Pews:** Paul Gravel and Erin Scheideman,  
Henry and Mary Kessler Sauer  
**Greeters:** Brian and Carri Jobe, Jeff and Margaret Judson,  
John and Diane MacDiarmid  
**Worship Set-up/Take Down:** Greg Sanderson, Cleve Haralson, Charlie Hargis, Don  
Hendrix, Blake Boyd  
**Communion Set-up/Take Down:** Jennifer Romig, Barbara Harrison  
**Nursery Set-up/Take Down:** Aubree Shay, Lisa Sutherland  
**Cookies:** Evie McVicar, Elizabeth Clement

## Serving Next Week

**Infants (9:30):** Ryan and Cyndi O’Leary  
**Toddlers (9:30):** James and Jennifer Romig  
**Training in the Pews:** Quinton and Melissa Dodson, Greg and Rachel Chaney  
**Greeters:** Josh and Mary Alice MacDiarmid, Ryan and KK McKenzie,  
Clay and Amy Miller  
**Worship Set-up/Take Down:** Henry Sauer, Ned Hodge, Reeves Hollimon,  
Jordan Inman, Blake Boyd  
**Communion Set-up/Take Down:** Carolyn Browne, Ellen Browne  
**Nursery Set-up/Take Down:** Lisa Sutherland, Aubree Shay  
**Cookies:** Kacey Register, Rhonda Laxton

## Stewardship Corner

Actual Giving (YTD)	\$158,302
Budgeted Expenses (YTD)	\$151,934
Actual Expenses (YTD)	\$150,342
Actual Ahead (Behind)	\$ 7,960

YTD includes all activity for the fiscal year, which begins January 1.

## Community Groups

John Ames – 828-6891  
John Fitch – 824-5973  
Ryan Froelich – 520-1058  
Tom Gibbs – 930-4974  
Jake Gray – 320-7922  
Charley Hollimon – 829-5760  
and Jason Register – 829-0747  
Jeff Judson – 822-5901  
Clay Miller – 830-438-5218  
Mark Randolph – 822-6057  
Jason Smith – 372-9337  
Toby Stolhandske – 830-904-4442  
Bowman Williams – 930-5915



## Sermon Notes

### “Prayer in Focus”

<sup>7</sup> And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. <sup>9</sup> Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. <sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread, <sup>12</sup> and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. <sup>14</sup> For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, <sup>15</sup> but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. **Matthew 6:7-15**

#### 1) The First Concern

#### 2) The Right Perspective on Our Concerns