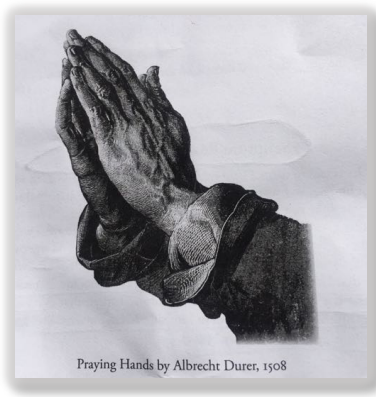


## 102118 Growth Group Study



### 1. Discussion around most recent sermon:

- a. **Date:** 10/21/18
- b. **Series:** Living Right-side Up in an Upside-Down World
- c. **Title:** **"Our Forgiveness and Our Deliverance"**
- d. **Preacher:** Shawn Reese
- e. **Scripture Reading / Text:** **Matthew 6:7-15 (NIV)**

<sup>7</sup>And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of 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>"This, then, is how you should pray:

<sup>10</sup>"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
<sup>11</sup>your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
<sup>12</sup>Give us today our daily bread.

<sup>13</sup>**And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.**

<sup>14</sup>**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'**

<sup>15</sup>For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. <sup>16</sup>But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

### g. Growth group questions from today's sermon:

- 1. **What is the one debt Shawn referred to that we owe the Father?**
- 2. **What does Jesus mean by "as"?**
  - We can't forgive unless we are forgiven.
- 3. **Discuss whom Jesus is referring to as "the evil one" and how he may be tempting you?**
- 4. **God does not tempt anyone (James 1:13), but He does test his people (to strengthen us). Discuss how Satan can turn that test into a temptation.**

### h. Reference Text/Books:

- Frederick Dale Bruner, *The Christbook: Matthew 1-12*
- Darrell Johnson, *Fifty-Seven Words that Change the World*
- Lewis Smedes, *Forgive and Forget*
- John Stott, *The Message of the Sermon on the Mount*
- Helmut Thielicke, *The Prayer that Spans the World*
- Dallas Willard, *The Divine Conspiracy*