

Morning Lesson

THREE LITTLE SERMONS WITH THREE BIG MESSAGES

I. THE POWER OF LATE-NIGHT THOUGHTS.

- A. What we think at any time is important. **Prov. 23:7**
- B. Late-night thoughts have special significance.
- C. Blessing of good late-night thoughts. **Psalm 4:4, 5; Psalm 63:5, 6; Prov. 12:5**
- D. The wrong late-night thoughts. **Micah 2:1; Psalm 36:4; Prov. 15:26**
- E. The way we live is determined by the way we think (**Prov. 23:7**) so we cannot overemphasize the importance of thinking good thoughts. **Phil. 4:8**

II. TERI'S FIND.

- A. Teri Horton stopped in Dot's Thrift Shop... Jackson Pollack "Untitled 1948" The store owner had no idea what she possessed.
- B. We have a treasure in our homes. It may be bound in calf skin, printed on thin rice paper, and written with black Indian ink. **Jer. 23:9; 2 Tim. 3:16,17; Psalm 19:7; Psalm 33:4**

III. FATHER, FORGIVE THEM.

- A. Jesus even prayed for those who were killing him. **Luke 23:4**
- B. On the Day of Pentecost some of those very same people were forgiven. **Acts 2:37, 38, 41**
- C. He prayed for forgiveness for the Roman soldiers that had beaten him so badly that he could not carry his cross to Calvary. **John 10:17-19; Matt. 27:28-30**
- D. He let the Jews blindfold him and hit him and then ask who struck you. **Luke 22:64**
- E. Jesus did not respond as others that were crucified.
- F. The soldiers thought Jesus' life was in their hands; they did not know that their lives were in his hands.
- G. "Forgiveness is the fragrance that the flower leaves on the heels of the one who crushed it."

CONC:

1. How could anyone reject such a savior?