



CHARACTER  
IN CRISIS

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THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

September 6, 2020 – Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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**Call to Worship:** Psalm 136:1-3

*We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reminds us of who God is and what He expects from us.*

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

**All: For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Give thanks to the God of gods,

**All: For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

**All: For his steadfast love endures forever.**

**Songs of Adoration**

*We respond to God's invitation with songs of praise. These songs are designed to draw our attention to the wonder and glory of God.*

The Love of God

## **Reading of the Law: Jeremiah 2:12-13**

*While the law cannot justify us or make us righteous; it is a teacher given to lead us to Christ, the fulfiller of the law.*

Be appalled, O heavens, at this; be shocked, be utterly desolate, declares the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.

## **Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

*We pray together, praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).*

## **Assurance of Pardon: Philippians 2:3-11**

*We read God's Word together and are reminded that grace and mercy are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.*

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **Greeting**

*In Jesus, we have not only been reconciled to God, we have also been reconciled to one another. Therefore, we greet one another as brothers and sisters.*

## **Song of Praise and Celebration**

*Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done to save us*

Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus  
Satisfied

## **Worship Through Giving: Give Online at [redeemerwh.org/give](https://redeemerwh.org/give)**

*We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of this church and the kingdom of God.*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession**

*We again express in prayer our gratitude to God for what he has done and ask him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and the world.*

## Proclamation of God's Word

*A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our own lives.*

2 Tim. 1:7; Titus 2:11-14; Prov. 25:28; Gal. 5:22-24; James 1:19-20

## Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontus Pilate, was crucified dead and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Sacrament of Communion

*The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.*

## Song of Response & Sending

*We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.*

Who You Say I Am

## Benediction

*Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.*

May the LORD bless you and keep you;  
May the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
May the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,  
Both now and forevermore. Amen.

## Season of the Cross: Green for Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time is the long season that takes up three quarters of the church year. This portion of Ordinary Time runs between Pentecost and Advent. Ordinary Time has traditionally been devoted to seeking our Lord in the simple, ordinary day-in and day-out rhythms of life. It is a time in which we are all invited to order our lives around Christ's life and teaching.

## **Proclamation of God's Word**

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7 For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

Pg. 995 (2 Timothy 1:7 ESV)

11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, 12 training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, 13 waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Pg. 998 (Titus 2:11-14 ESV)

28 A man without self-control is like a city broken into and left without walls.

Pg. 547 (Proverbs 25:8 ESV)

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

Pg. 975 (Galatians 5:22-24 ESV)

19 Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; 20 for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God.

Pg. 1011 (James 1:19-20 ESV)

**Sermon Series:** Character in Crisis: The Fruit of the Spirit

**Sermon Title:** Self-Control in a Time of Selfishness

**Date:** September 6, 2020

## **I. WHAT IS SELF-CONTROL?**

## **II. OUR PROBLEM WITH SELF-CONTROL**

## **III. A SPIRIT OF SELF-CONTROL**

# Announcements

**Children's Ministry Re-Opening:** We are excited to announce that we as a church family will be opening our classrooms back up for Children's Ministry on **Sunday September 13th, during the 9AM worship service only (for the time being)**. All children's classes will be available during the 9AM worship service. We are asking that you would RSVP by Friday at Midnight: [redeemerwh.org/rsvp](https://redeemerwh.org/rsvp)

**Note:** *Pre-registration is NOT required to attend on Sunday, it simply will help us to prepare in the days leading up to Sunday morning.*

**Online Directory:** Redeemer City Church's online directory is provided for Regular Attendees and Members. The great thing about this platform is that you can upload your own photo or edit your profile's information and it automatically syncs with our database. Visit [redeemerwh.org/directory](https://redeemerwh.org/directory) to access your profile.

**Women's Fall Bible Study (Sermon on the Mount):** You are invited to join the women of Redeemer and listen as Jesus explains kingdom living that is just as applicable to us in 2020 as it was to the original audience seated overlooking the Sea of Galilee.

For addition information or to RSVP for either the Zoom or in-person meeting, please contact either Sally Goodwill ([sallyg1110@aol.com](mailto:sallyg1110@aol.com) or **863.325.5200**) or Gigi Savant ([gigisavant@gmail.com](mailto:gigisavant@gmail.com) or **863.258.0268**).

**Mondays, 6:30-8pm** in Covenant Hall following COVID protocols  
(Beginning September 14)

**Thursdays, 9:30-11am via Zoom** (Beginning September 17)

**Get Connected:** The best way to stay up-to-date with what's happening at Redeemer is through our online newsletter ([redeemerwh.org/newsletter](https://redeemerwh.org/newsletter)) and our mobile app ([redeemerwh.org/app](https://redeemerwh.org/app)).

**Worship Playlists:** Follow our weekly set list on **Spotify** and **Apple Music** so that you can become familiar with the songs that we'll be singing on Sundays. You can find the playlist on the "RedeemerWH" app (above) or at: [redeemerwh.org/RCCmusic](https://redeemerwh.org/RCCmusic).



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