SERMON OUTLINE - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2017

(LORD'S PRAYER sermon series)

The Chapel: Where We Cover Our Mouth

(Matthew 6:9)

INTRODUCTION: *The lecture at a waterfall –*

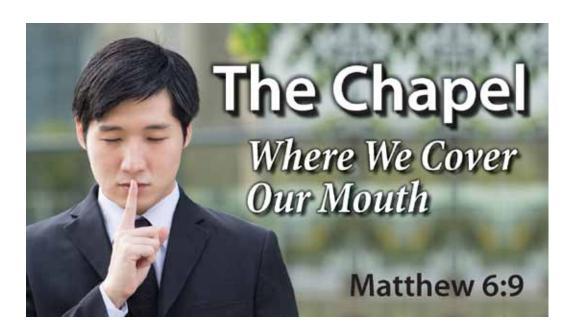
Sometimes it's better to just be quiet . . .

I. THERE ARE TIMES TO SPEAK & TIMES TO BE QUIET

- A. Reverence: covering our mouth in God's presence
- B. Psalm 46:10 "Be still and know that I am God"
- C. Reverence: entering **God's chapel** praying *Hallowed be Thy Name* (Matthew 6:9)

II. JOB LEARNED THE HARD WAY TO COVER HIS MOUTH

- A. For 23 chapters: a "verbal ping pong match" with Job & his miserable comforters
- B. In chapters 37-39 God speaks & Job listens
- C. In chapter 40 Job **covers his mouth**, is quiet, & knows God is God (Job 40:4 and Psalm 46:10)



III. THANKSGIVING SUNDAY: A GOOD DAY TO BE QUIET & GIVE THANKS

- A. Today's baptism of Haoyan Li:
 O God **Hallowed Be Thy Name**
- B. Jesus on the cross (always before us in this sanctuary): O God **Hallowed be Thy Name**
- C. We confess with the <u>Rock of Ages hymn</u>: "Nothing in my hand I bring; simply to Thy cross I cling"
- D. We linger in **God's chapel** with His Psalm 46 promise: As we are still, we will know that He is God

CONCLUSION: With today's congregational Thanksgiving prayers, we cover our mouths, and declare, O God – Hallowed be Thy Name