PRESSURE SYSTEMS Global Warming – Part 2 of 4

Key Truths from Last Week:

- 1. There is a **CLIMATE** associated to every relationship.
- **2.** The climate in your relationships dictates the **FORECAST** of those relationships.
- 3. The forecast of the relationship will remain the same until the climate begins to CHANGE.

Last Week's Homework: What is it like to be on the other side of ME?

Key Truths Today:

- 1. The most significant thing that changes our climate and leads to global warming in our relationships is **INSECURITY**.
 - Everyone has **INSECURITIES**.
- 2. Our culture tells us that the cure for insecurities is **SELF-ESTEEM**.

"3...we who serve God by his Spirit, who boast in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh 4 though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more. 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless. 7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8 What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith" Philippians 3:3-9 (NIV)

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13 (NIV)

- 3. **Key Problem:** At the heart of insecurity is the fear of **REJECTION**.
- **4. The Cure:** When you begin to see you <u>**THROUGH**</u> Jesus, you see that you are loved. You see that you are unconditionally <u>**ACCEPTED**</u>.
 - **ACCEPTANCE** is the cure for insecurity.
- 5. The climate of your relationships improves when you see you as **GOD** sees you.

Key Question: Whose acceptance are you trying to **ACHIEVE**?