## Evangelism for Everyone: Loving the "Incompetent, Unjust and Imperfect" Pastor Pete

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Matt 5:16

When you encounter "incompetence, injustice or imperfection", you should:

- 1. Postpone your response *Matt* 5:14-16, *Matt* 5:43-47
  - A. Embrace the "Moment of Incompetence" as a time to shine your light
  - B. Realize this moment is your "Cue Card" from God
  - C. Learn to love those that are hard to love
- 2. Prepare your response
  - 2 Tim 2:1, Rom 2:4
  - A. Be strong in grace in 2 ways"
    - Remember God's grace to me (Eph 1 and 2)
    - Imitate His grace to others
  - B. If I do not respond in grace, then I am not strong in grace
- 3. Deliver your response

Phil 2:14,15

- A. Do not complain, grumble or argue
- B. It is OK to point out issues, but watch your tone
- C. If my tone is not filled with love, then I am a noisy gong

## **Discussion Questions:**

- What is something you learned from this message?
- Give an example where you encountered "incompetence".
- How did you respond?
- What might you do differently next time?
- How can you grow in being "strong in grace"?