

## ***The Restoration Road – September 21, 2010***

**Chapter 9: “Pride is the Lock on the Human Heart; Humility is the Key”**

**Chapter 10: “Restoring the Four Chambers of Our Heart”**

**NEXT SHOW: OCTOBER 20, 2010**

God has placed a box inside each one of us, the box of the spiritual heart. The Bible tells us that He is the highest bidder for the contents of our inner boxes: our will, intellect, spirit, and emotions (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). The box of the spiritual heart is either: (1) *locked* and *unrestored*, or (2) *unlocked* and *restored*. *Pride* is the *lock* on the human heart; *humility* is the *key*.

**When we are *locked* and *unrestored*, we are *proud* and *harsh*.**

Jesus' first words in His Sermon on the Mount were, “Blessed are the poor in spirit” (Matthew 5:3). Restated, Jesus said, “Satisfied are the humble.” “Humble” means “to be lower than, or to bend the knee.” “Humility” and “humanity” come from the same Latin root, *humus*, meaning “from the ground.” We call it “down to earth.”

### ***NAVIGATING RESTORATION ROAD...***

- Take a *poor in spirit* inventory of any prideful area in your life where you are ruling your own kingdom.
- How have you locked your heart to God, remaining unrestored?
- How has pride made you harsh toward God and others?
- How have you desired a cure, or a quick fix from God?
- How have you determined to remain closed to Him?
- How has your proud heart's destination imprisoned you?
- How has that imprisonment left you dissatisfied?