

**Peniel Goes To The Movies**  
**How To Deal With Pettiness In Christianity**

**1. I replace my \_\_\_\_\_**

**John 11:47-48** - "Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. 'What are we accomplishing?' they asked. 'Here is this man performing many signs. If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation.'"

Key: View fear as an \_\_\_\_\_

**Psalm 56:3** *When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.*

**Ezra 1:1** *In the first year of King Cyrus of Persia, the LORD fulfilled the prophecy he had given through Jeremiah. He stirred the heart of Cyrus to...*

**Acts 16:14** *the Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message.*

**2. I keep myself \_\_\_\_\_**

a) I make my \_\_\_\_\_ my primary focus

**Matthew 7:1-5** *Do not judge, or you too will be judged... "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.*

b) I keep more of my \_\_\_\_\_

**Romans 14:22** *So whatever you believe about these things keep between yourself and God.*

c) I value \_\_\_\_\_ people over rules

**Matthew 23:23** *Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness.*

**Matthew 23:3** *Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice.*

**Mark 7:5-8** - "So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, 'Why don't your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?' He replied, 'Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written: 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules.'"

**Matthew 15:12-14** *Then the disciples came to him and asked, "Do you realize you offended the Pharisees by what you just said?" Jesus replied, "Every plant not planted by my heavenly Father will be uprooted, so ignore them. They are blind guides leading the blind, and if one blind person guides another, they will both fall into a ditch."*