**Don't you hear the voices of your wailing dead parents and others who say, 'Have mercy upon me, have mercy upon me, because we are in severe punishment and pain. From this you could redeem us with a small alms (donation) and yet you do not want to do so.' Open your ears as the father says to the son and the mother to the daughter . . ., 'We have created you, fed you, cared for you, and left you our temporal goods. Why then are you so cruel and harsh that you do not want to save us, though it only takes a little? You let us lie in flames so that we only slowly come to the promised glory.' You may have letters which let you have, once in life and in the hour of death . . . full remission of the punishment which belongs to sin. Oh, those of you with vows, you . . . robbers, murderers, and criminals - Now is the time to hear the voice of God. He does not want the death of the sinner, but that he be converted and live. Convert yourselves then, to the Lord, thy God. Oh, you blasphemers, gossippers, who hinder this work openly or secretly, what about your affairs? You are outside the fellowship of the Church. No masses, no sermons, prayers, sacraments, or intercession help you. No field, vineyard, trees, or cattle bring fruit or wine for you. Even spiritual things vanish, as many an illustration could point out. Convert yourself with all your heart and use the medicine of which the Book of Wisdom (the Bible) says, 'The Most High has made medicine out of the earth and a wise man will not reject it.'**

Imagine you are reporters on the scene; you have been instructed to listen to this man’s sermon and write a story covering its message. Your editor (C. Sturges) is a real slave driver! The story is due later but she wants the headline immediately...it’s a good thing you have a good friend(s) with you to help you come up with a headline before Sturges fires you from your high profile newspaper job. Read this again with your partner(s) and come up with an appropriate headline for your news story.