

## **PREPARATORY MATERIALS STUDY CIRCLE #1**

### **Introductory Information:**

- The History and Promise of the Work
- Series Takes on Health Care
- What Are Study Circles?
- Guidelines and Tips for Group Conversations
- Particulars: Dates, time, location(s), contact person

### **Reading Materials:**

- *The Moral Challenge of Our Time: Reforming Our Health Care System*, Center for American Progress
- *Why Not the Best? Results from a National Scorecard on U.S. Health System Performance*, The Commonwealth Fund, 2006
- *Current Problems with Health Care in the United States*, Source: PNHP

### **Thought Questions:**

- In your opinion, is health care a moral issue? If so, why? If not, why?
- With respect to the health care system in our country, what is your greatest concern and why? What are you doing about it? If so, why? If not, why?
- Reflect upon any personal health care story. To what extent does this story lead you to consider its moral implications?