

The Sermon on the Mount 11 – Don't Judge Others

Matthew 7:1-6 - Judging Others

1. Kingdom living is radically different from life on earth
2. God's love for His creatures is evident in everything He does, from Creation to Incarnation to the inhabitation of the Holy Spirit in our hearts
3. God desires to complete in each of us the work of Spiritual Transformation begun at our baptism

PART 1

1 Judge not, that you be not judged. 2 For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you.

2 Samuel 15:4

You will be judged by the same standard as you use to judge others.

Romans 14:10-12

1 Corinthians 11:29-32

James 2:12-13

James 4:11-12

2 Peter 1:9

Philippians 2:3-4

PART 2

3 Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? 4 Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? 5 You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.

You cannot see clearly to judge others until you have examined yourself.

20 Cognitive Biases That Screw Up Your Decisions (included in DropBox Folder)

Matthew 6:22

Romans 12:3

Romans 2:1-5

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PART 3

6 Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you.

It does no good to offer “good judgment” (criticism) to those who don’t receive it.

Motive: Love

Proverbs 23:9

Proverbs 9:7-9

Galatians 6:1-5

Hebrews 5:14

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Next week Matthew 7:7-11

1. What does this promise mean to you?
2. How literally should we take the meaning of the verse?
3. How do you know if what you ask for is within God’s will?
4. How do we discover God’s will?
5. Does God have an intention for everything or are some things left up to us?
6. Is God’s will a target, or a set of possibilities?