



# Kingdom Culture

sermon on the mount series

Oct 29th

PERSONAL REFLECTION OR GROUP DISCUSSION

Matthew 7:7-12- Ask, and it Will Be Given

1. Have you ever experienced a situation where you asked, sought, or knocked for something in your life, and you believe it was granted to you? How did that experience influence your faith or perspective on prayer, as described in Matthew 7:7-12?
2. In Matthew 7:7-8, Jesus encourages us to "ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find." How do you balance the idea of asking for what you desire with the concept of surrendering to God's will? Can you share an example from your life where this balance played a significant role?
3. The "Golden Rule" in Matthew 7:12 instructs us to treat others as we would like to be treated. How do you actively apply this principle in your daily interactions with friends, family, coworkers, and even strangers? Can you think of a recent situation where practicing the Golden Rule had a positive impact?
4. In today's fast-paced and competitive world, how do you find the time and space for prayer and seeking a deeper connection with God, as encouraged in Matthew 7:7-8? What practical strategies or habits do you use to maintain a consistent prayer life?
5. Matthew 7:9-10 uses the analogy of a father giving good gifts to his children. How does this image shape your understanding of God's character? How can this perspective affect the way you approach your own relationship with God and your expectations in prayer?

6. Consider a time when you felt disappointed or unanswered in your prayers. How did you cope with that experience, and what lessons, if any, did you take away from it in light of Matthew 7:7-12?

7. Matthew 7:12 challenges us to consider how our actions impact others. What are some specific ways you can incorporate the Golden Rule into your daily decisions, not only in your personal life but also in your community and workplace? Share an example of when you put this principle into practice and its outcomes.