



Kingdom Culture

sermon on the mount series

Oct 22nd

PERSONAL REFLECTION OR GROUP DISCUSSION

Matthew 7:1-6 - Judging Others

1. "In Matthew 7:1-6, Jesus advises us not to judge others. How do you personally struggle with passing judgment on others in your daily life, and what steps can you take to overcome this tendency?"
2. "The passage talks about removing the plank from our own eye before helping others with their speck. Can you share a recent experience where you realized you had a 'plank' in your life? How did you address it, and what impact did it have on your relationships?"
3. "What are some practical ways we can balance the need to make discerning judgments in life (such as choosing friends or mentors) with Jesus' command not to judge others? How can we do this without becoming overly critical or judgmental?"
4. "How can we apply the principle of 'treating others as we would like to be treated' from Matthew 7:12 to our daily interactions? What changes can we make in our behaviour to align with this teaching?"
5. "The passage mentions not giving what is sacred to dogs or casting pearls before swine. What does this metaphor mean to you, and how can we discern when it's appropriate to share our deeply held beliefs or wisdom with others, and when it's not?"

6. "What role does humility play in our ability to follow Jesus' advice in this passage? How can we cultivate a humble heart in our daily lives, and what benefits do you see in doing so?"

7. "In a world filled with criticism, social media judgment, and cancel culture, how can we be a positive and loving influence, as Jesus encourages in Matthew 7:1-6? What practical strategies can we employ to promote empathy and understanding in our communities and relationships?"