

JESUS DEFINES OUR RELATIONSHIPS

DISCUSSION GUIDE / 11.17.19 / SERIES: THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW: THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT (CH 5-7) / WK 6

START THE CONVERSATION

REVIEW THIS WEEK'S SERMON. SHARE YOUR FAVORITE PART, POINTS YOU RELATED TO MOST, OR QUESTIONS WITH THE GROUP.

TALK ABOUT A TIME WHEN YOUR FIRST IMPRESSION OF A PERSON WAS WRONG. HOW DID WHAT YOU LATER LEARNED ABOUT THE PERSON CHANGE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM OR HER?

HOW MIGHT YOU RESPOND IF YOU HEARD SOMEBODY SAY, "THE PROBLEM WITH CHRISTIANS IS THAT THEY'RE WAY TOO JUDGMENTAL?"

READ MATTHEW 7:1-12 TOGETHER AS A GROUP. AS YOU READ, MAKE NOTE OF ANY KEY PHRASES THAT STAND OUT OR ANY QUESTIONS THAT ARISE. THEN, USE THE QUESTIONS AND SCRIPTURE REFERENCES BELOW FOR GROUP DISCUSSION.

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IN WHAT SENSE ARE WE NOT TO JUDGE OTHERS, AND CAN WE EVER OFFER CORRECTION? WHAT'S THE DEEPER HEART ATTITUDE JESUS IS CONDEMNING?

MATT 7:1-5
MATT 18:15-17
GAL 6:1-5
JAMES 5:19-20

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BIBLICAL CORRECTION MUST BEGIN WITH SELF-EXAMINATION. IF WE FIND TOO MUCH PRIDE, HOW CAN WE CULTIVATE TRUE HUMILITY?

MATT 7:1-5
PHIL 2:1-11

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WHEN MAY IT BE WRONG TO SHARE THE TRUTHS OF JESUS AND HIS KINGDOM?

MATT 7:6
ACTS 13:46
TITUS 3:10-11

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WHAT DOES THIS PASSAGE TEACH US ABOUT GOD'S CHARACTER, AND HOW CAN THESE TEACHINGS CHANGE THE WAY WE PRAY?

MATT 7:7-11

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HOW DOES VERSE 12 RELATE TO THE PASSAGE AS A WHOLE, AND WHAT DOES IT SHOW US ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR ACTIONS TOWARD OTHERS?

MATT 7:12
MATT 22:37-40
LUKE 6:32-36

RESPOND + PRAY

+ARE THERE PEOPLE THAT YOU ARE PRONE TO JUDGE?

+WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE IN YOUR LIFE TO REALLY LIVE OUT THE GOLDEN RULE THIS WEEK?

ON YOUR OWN: DIG DEEPER

READ EXODUS 18 FOR A GOOD EXAMPLE OF BIBLICAL CORRECTION. TAKE NOTE OF THE CORRECTOR AND CORRECTEE'S ATTITUDES AND METHODS.

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