

Matthew
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Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am
To be discussed –03/2/26

Matthew - Lesson 8
Matthew 7:1-29

Keep in mind that chapter 7 continues with previous themes of self-righteousness, hypocrisy and the Kingdom of Heaven. It addresses how we, as Christians, ought to live.

1. Read Matthew 7:1-5. What judgment of others is being condemned in vv. 1-5? Who is the hypocrite? What responsibility do we have to others?

2. Read Matthew 7:6. What judgment should believers make and why? Who do you think are the “dogs” and “pigs”? (See also Acts 13:44-51)

3. Read Matthew 7:7-12. What is taught here about God and prayer?

4. Notice that verse 12 tell us what we should “do” in contrast to what we should “not do” in verse 1. What should be our attitude toward each other? Why?

5. Read Matthew 7:13-27.
 - Two gates (vv. 13-14): Where does each lead? Is the majority always right? Which path are you following?

 - Two trees (vv. 15-20): What warning is given? How do we judge/discern between true teaching and false? (also 1 John 4:1-6)

 - Two claims (vv. 21-22): Who will enter the Kingdom of Heaven? What is the evidence of truth faith?

 - Two builders (vv. 24-27): What is the foundation of the wise man? Of the foolish man? What will eventually reveal the quality of their work?

6. Read Matthew 7: 28-29. Why were the crowds amazed at his teaching? How did Jesus differ from their teachers of the law?