

10-MINUTE BIBLE LESSON Fast and Furious Matthew 7:1-11

Before watching the video: What do you already know about the Sermon on the Mount? What teachings from it might you know already? What are you most curious about regarding these chapters?

Now read the passage twice. Take time to notice every sentence and phrase. You may even want to start and stop the video to spend more time with each. What stands out to you?

"Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ²For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. ³Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your neighbor, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' while the log is in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor's eye.

⁶"Do not give what is holy to dogs; and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under foot and turn and maul you.

⁷"Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ⁸For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ⁹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? ¹⁰Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? ¹¹If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him! – *Matthew 6:19-24*

After watching the video: Consider how you may have heard vs. 1-5 explained in terms of not judging others. While that may be part of it, consider also how it is about paying attention to one's own actions. How do you think self-examination is important?

Think about verse 6. Can you name a time when you shared something valuable with someone who didn't appreciate or take care of it? What do you think this means for good stewardship?

Think about the last few verses, about how it describes God's love and what it may mean for what we give to others.

Conclude in prayer. Thank God for blessings, ask forgiveness for wrongs done, request help for uncertainty. Close with "amen."