

Part Two
Lesson 7
“The Sermon on the Mount“
Various Subjects

Scripture to Study: Matthew 7:1-14

Introduction:

Using almost “shotgun“ type of approach in this next to last section of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus attacks several characteristics of the elite leaders. From judging others, to a failure to treat others properly, to asking for things through prayer, Jesus approaches some of the traits that would not allow those elite Jews to recognize the Messiah or to change their lives.

ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:

1. What kind of judging is here condemned by Jesus?
2. Is there ever a time when we should judge righteous judgment?
3. If we improperly judge others, what will be the manner in which we are judged?
4. Can we judge others improperly even if we don't have a “plank“ in our eye?
5. How does one give holy things to dogs?
6. How does one cast pearls before swine?
7. What would be Jesus' application of verse 6?
8. Contextually, what will be given to those who ask for it? (see thought question)
9. Again, contextually, what will be opened for those who knock?
10. What good gifts does God supply?
11. Does the golden rule always work? If not, why should we still practice it?
12. Describe the two different gates.

THINK ON THESE THINGS:

Do verses 7-11 promise us a blanket ticket to supply our every asking and knocking?