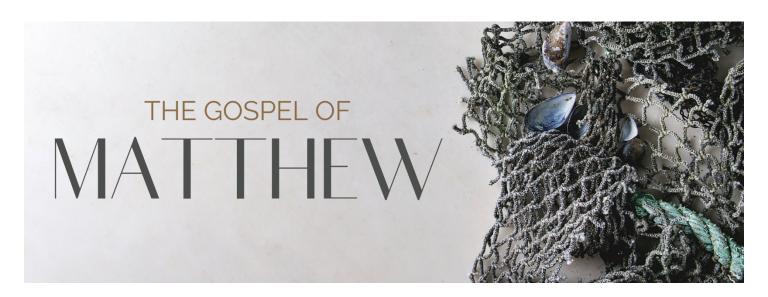


Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

Date 6/25/23 Aaron Brown Watch the sermon at <u>manheimbic.org/sermon</u>.



BIBLE PASSAGE - Matthew 7:1-6, 12

¹ "Judge not, that you be not judged. ² For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. ³ Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? ⁴ Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? ⁵ You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.

⁶ "Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you.

¹² "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

Other Passages: Matthew 6:12, 14-15; Luke 18:9-14; Prov. 27:6

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, and take time to fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

Dive into God's Word. Use these discussion questions. Learn from each other's insight.

- 1. How do you do giving yourself grace when you make mistakes or don't live up to your own standards?
- 2. It's normalized today to judge others when we find differences. What's a practical way you could cultivate curiosity instead of a judgmental attitude towards others?
- 3. Read Matthew 7:3-5, and Prov 27:6 again. Has your group given permission to help point where you need to grow into Kingdom living?
- 4. Using Aaron's 3 final questions—How would I like my enemies to treat me? How would I like the people I've wronged to confront me? How would I like the people I've let down to respond to me? Spend time as a group discussing these so you can walk it out with each other well.
- 5. How can you express the generous love of God to each other and outward towards others this week?

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS