

Sermon Scavenger Hunt

Matthew 7:1-12

Think about it...What do you know about the golden rule? Have you ever tried to live by the golden rule?



Sermon Scavenger Hunt Questions...Listen to the sermon to discover answers to the following questions. Submit your answers for a prize!

1. Read Matthew 7:1-5. “Do not judge, or you too will be judged. ² For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴ How can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? ⁵ You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.”
2. True or False. When Jesus says, “do not judge,” he is forbidding us from judging someone’s behavior as right or wrong because we’re all sinners.

3. “Do not judge” means we should **NOT** have a deep-rooted spirit of condemnation, contempt and rejection of people. According to Matthew 7:5. What should we do first when we notice a sin problem?
4. Read Matthew 7:6. “Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.”
5. Who is Jesus referring to when he talks about pigs and dogs?
6. True or False. We need to be discerning when we share Christ. If people are presenting themselves as “pigs or dogs” in how they receive the good news of Jesus, we need to prayerfully consider if the timing is right to share the message of the gospel. We never give up on people, but we ask God for wisdom on when and how to share truth.
7. Read Matthew 7:7-11. “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰ Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? ¹¹ If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!”
8. True or False. God is our Father and we are his children. Like a child, in prayer, we run to our heavenly Daddy with our requests.
9. Because God is good, he only gives good gifts, but because God is also wise, he knows what gifts are best for us even when we do not. How would you respond to a friend who said, “The Bible says to ask and it will be given to you. So, I asked, but God never answered my prayer.”
10. Read Matthew 7:12. “So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.”
11. What would it look like if we lived the Golden Rule in EVERYTHING we did?
12. Have you treated someone in a way you would not want to be treated this week? How can you apologize or make things right with this person?

Memory Verse Challenge: **Matthew 5:3-10**

Use hand motions to aid memory of The Beatitudes. At the end of February, submit your memory verse video to LauriHaugen@elmopres.org for a prize!

The Beatitudes	Handmotions
Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.	Drop head in repentance, then make crown with your hands upon your head
Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.	Look sad then rock a baby
Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.	Flex arms, turn flexed arms upside down, now make a round earth with arms
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.	Feed self, then hold up right hand, next rub tummy
Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.	Use right middle finger to touch center of left palm, repeat with left middle finger on right palm... represents Jesus' nails in his hands
Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.	Draw a heart on your chest with your fingers and then make glasses with your fingers and hold to your eyes
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.	Make a peace sign and then point to self and then point "up" to God
Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.	Make a jab motion like a pirate fighting with a sword, then hold up your right hand, and finally make a crown with your hands upon your head