



The King's Road: The Revelation of the King

Re: GROUP

The King's Road: Living as a Kingdom Person

Matthew 7:1-12

Small Group Questions

Icebreaker

1. Have you ever misjudged someone's motives or actions and later realized you were wrong? What happened?
2. When you hear the phrase "don't judge," what typically comes to your mind?

Observation — What does the text say?

3. Read Matthew 7:1–5. What contrasts does Jesus make between the "speck" and the "log"?
4. According to verses 7–11, what three actions does Jesus command, and what promises accompany them?
5. What is the main idea Jesus gives in Matthew 7:12, and how does He connect it to "the Law and the Prophets"?

Interpretation — What does it mean?

6. If Scripture teaches discernment (e.g., 1 Cor. 5; 1 John 4), what kind of "judging" is Jesus actually condemning in Matthew 7:1?
7. Why do you think Jesus ties humility (removing your own "log") to the ability to help someone else with their "speck"?
8. How does Jesus' teaching on persistence in prayer challenge misconceptions people may have about God's character?
9. What does Jesus reveal about the Father by comparing Him to earthly parents in vv. 9–11?
10. How does the Golden Rule (v. 12) summarize everything Jesus has taught in this section of the Sermon on the Mount?

Application — How should we respond?

11. Where do you personally struggle with being overly critical, suspicious, or harsh toward others? What would humility look like in that area?
12. Is there an area of your life where you have stopped “asking, seeking, knocking”? What would persistent, faith-filled prayer look like this week?
13. Think of one relationship in your life—family, work, church. How would that relationship change if you lived out the Golden Rule more intentionally?
14. What “speck-removal” do you feel called to help someone with, but only after you address your own “log”?

Prayer

15. Pray for God to reveal any hidden critical attitudes or pride in our hearts.
16. Pray for greater confidence in God’s goodness as a Father and a renewed desire to ask, seek, and knock.
17. Ask God to shape your group into people who reflect the humility, faith, and love of Jesus in everyday relationships.