

Sunday – July 6, 2025

New Series: “The Flourishing Life”



*“Seeing as I am Seen”
Matthew 7:1-12*

What was the last “judgement call” you were asked to make? Was it about a person, a purchase? Were you asked to give an opinion on a topic or situation? On what basis did you make the call? Have you ever been the subject of someone else’s judgement and felt trampled on in the process?

Key Verse: *“Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” (Matthew 7:1-2).*

Read *Matthew 7:1-12*.

What verses or themes strike you as you read this passage today? Anything different from the last time you may have read these verses?

What are the command Jesus cites in these verses? How do they relate to each other?

What does Jesus say about judgement? Upon what basis do I usually find myself judging others?

What person/ groups of people do I usually judge the harshest? Why? What does God say about them?

Read *Psalms 82*. God is described as a judge. How do I understand the balance between God as judge and God as friend?

Read *Matthew 5:48*. How is God’s standard of judgement different than mine?

Read *Matthew 7:3* again and *1 Corinthians 11:28*. Am I harsher judging others than myself? Why?

Jesus ends this section again with emphasizing relationships- with God first. Read *Matthew 7:7-11* and *Matthew 6:25-34*. How do these sections compare? What is my relationship with God according to Jesus?

Matthew 7:7 is taken by some to mean, “God will give me anything I ask.” How does that square with the idea is a loving Father? Do loving parents give me everything I ask?

Jesus again sums up this teaching in the context of relationships. (*Matthew 7:12*). How I see, treat, judge others happen in the same way I am seen, treated and judged by God. Do you need to ask forgiveness for anyone you may be not treating in this way?

THIS WEEK:

- How do I see myself in God’s eyes?
- With whose eyes do I see others?