



Service Devotional Guide

May 10, 2020

Start by praying and asking God to meet you in this passage, the sermon, and the reading and prayers. Then read the following passage several times.

Matthew 7: 1-5

¹ 'Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ² For with the judgement you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. ³ Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴ Or how can you say to your neighbour, "Let me take the speck out of your eye", while the log is 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 neighbour's eye.

Questions to Ponder

1. What struck you from this passage? Was there anything that hit home in a particular way? Pause and focus on that for a moment.
2. What does Jesus want to emphasise about judgment?
3. Is there an appropriate place and time and way for mentioning the "speck in your brother [or sister]'s eye"? How does this compare with what Jesus says about rebuking a brother or sister in Luke 17: 1-4, and "do not judge" from verse 1 of this passage?
4. Take a few moments to bring what you have been pondering to God in prayer.

Closing Prayer

Thank you Jesus, that the words written in the Bible can speak to our hearts, minds and hands today. Guide us and strengthen us that we have courage to be shaped to your likeness, by the grace of your presence. Amen.

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