

Text: Matthew 7:1-29
Topics: Christian Life, Choices, Works
Series: The Promised King

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People of God's Kingdom

I. Careful Conduct (1-12)

Kingdom people consider God and others before they act.

Others in failure...

Others in hostility...

God in everything...

Others in general...

II. Contrasting Choices (13-29)

The way of kingdom people is different today and tomorrow.

Two ways...

Two trees...

Two responses...

Two builds...

I will need the Lord's help with my desires and doings to live the kingdom life.

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.*

1. Judging others can be something we fall into way too easily. Read Matthew 7:1-5. Why do we do judge others? Is it ever appropriate? Explain.

What circumstances make it easy for you to fall into judging others? Why is it important to stop? (James 4:11-12)

2. Read Matthew 7:7-11. Why might a person not ask God in their prayers?

What do the words "ask, seek, knock" suggest?

What is your big "ask, seek, knock" right now?

3. Jesus points to two "ways" in Matthew 7:13-14. Explain the "wide" way and why it is so tempting.

What is it about the "narrow" way that is hard for you?

4. Look at Matthew 7:13-14 and verses 21-23. What might be examples of the message false prophets (verses 15-20) give?

Give an example of "fruit" you might see in the false prophet that would help you to recognize him.

5. What is an example of how you are tempted to "build on the sand" (25-27).

What are or might be examples of rain, floods, and wind in your life?

Give an example of how you can "build on the rock" today. (Be specific)

6. How can getting verse 23 right help in everything above?

7. What is the main application of this study, and/or the sermon and its passages, for you?