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COMMUNITY CHURCH

**“The Others-Centered Nature  
of the Kingdom”  
Matthew 7:1-12**

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# The Others-Centered Nature of the Kingdom

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# Avoiding Hypocritical Judgment of Others (7:1–5)

**<sup>1</sup>“Do not judge so that you will not be judged. <sup>2</sup>For in the way you judge, you will be judged; and by your standard of measure, it will be measured to you. <sup>3</sup>Why do you look at the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? <sup>4</sup>Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ and behold, the log is in your own eye? <sup>5</sup>You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother’s eye.**

# Exercising Wisdom in Relation to Those Who Are Hostile (7:6)

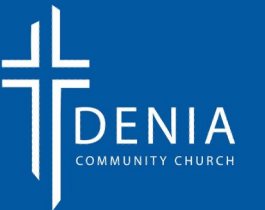
<sup>6</sup> “Do not give what is holy to dogs, and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

# Depending on Our Heavenly Father (7:7–11)

**<sup>7</sup> “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. <sup>9</sup> Or what man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup> Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he? <sup>11</sup> If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!**

# Fulfilling the Heart of the Law and Prophets (7:12)

<sup>12</sup> “In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.





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