A Community of Grace Matthew 7:1-6

Study #10 of Life on the Rock

1. Begin with Prayer

2. Read Scripture Together Matthew 7:1-6

Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? 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. "Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you.

3. Share Who You Are

- A. What kind of judgment does Jesus command against? Does He mean judgment or moral issues? (Romans 12:2) Why is judging someone's eternal condition so spiritually dangerous?
- B. What does Jesus promise about how we measure out grace to others? (Matthew 7:2) Are you stingy or generous in measuring out grace to others?
- C. Is there anyone, or any kind of person, you are particularly tempted to judge? Why? Does this say anything about our own sin or the log in your eye?
- D. What does Jesus mean when He commands, "Do not give to dogs what is holy?" Have you ever trusted someone with something precious to you and regretted it? How did they attack you?

4. Take This Next Step

Ask the Holy Spirit to bring to mind someone in particular that you need to forgive. Allow that person to come to mind and then share who that person is and what they did to you with your group. Seek your group's wisdom on whether or not you need to be reconciled with that person or simply just forgive them from your heart.

5. Pray Together