

**Sermon Discussion Questions**  
*For the Week of March 19, 2023*

**Sermon Information:**

Living the Golden Rule  
Matthew 7:1-12

Our Relationship with Others

We should be gracious instead of condemning.

We should speak the truth and be discerning.

Our Relationship with God

Let's go to God in persistent prayer.

Let's be filled with the Spirit.

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Why do you think the Golden Rule is so challenging for us to live out? If we know how we would want to be treated, why do we struggle to treat others that way?
2. Read Matthew 7:15-16 and 1 John 4:1. Why should we keep these verses (and others) in mind as we seek to understand Matthew 7:1-2?
3. Who do you struggle to show grace to? What will it look like for you to remove the beam from your eye so that you can show grace to and help others?
4. Do Jesus' words in Matthew 7:6 bother you at all? Have you seen the truth of this verse in your own life? How can we share the truth with discernment in our everyday lives?
5. When you have been discouraged because your prayers weren't answered in the way or time that you wanted? How can you be reminded of the Father's goodness in times of discouragement? Why is it important to consider Luke 11:13 and the fact that God gives you Himself, not just His resources?