

*Hymn 70 | With Glory Clad, with Strength Arrayed

GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

God's Covenant Faithfulness | Romans 2:1-29

Confession of Faith | The Nicene Creed (TH, 846)

Prayer for Global Missions

Our Missionaries | Japan

Country of World | Armenia

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Presentation of Tithes and Offerings | Venmo: @Cornerstone-OPC

Hymn 491 | Take Me, O My Father, Take Me

Offertory Prayer

God's Call Through Preaching

Scripture Reading | Matthew 7:1-12

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Proclamation | Get Low Before Your Just & Gracious Father

Prayer of Application

*New Song 3 | Depth of Mercy

GOD BLESSES US WITH HIMSELF

*God's Benediction

*Hymn 733 | Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia! Praise him above, ye heav'nly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

VISITING WITH US?

WELCOME

We are so glad you have come to worship with us this evening! Please fill out a connect card in the church foyer so we can learn how best to serve you.

NURSERY

We welcome and encourage children of all ages to participate in public worship. For families with young children there is a nursery available next door, though it is not staffed during the evening service. Please ask the usher for more information.

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GET LOW BEFORE YOUR JUST & GRACIOUS FATHER

Matthew 7:1-12

I. Bow before our Father's throne of *judgment* (vv. 1-6).

- A. So that in humility we might be *spared* by Him (vv. 1-4).
- B. So that in humility we might rightly *assess* others (vv. 5-6).

II. Bow before our Father's throne of *grace* (vv. 7-12).

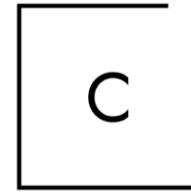
- A. So that in humility we might be *supplied* by Him (vv. 7-11).
- B. So that in humility we might rightly *assist* others (v. 12).

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. Is the sermon on the mount a unified message or a bunch of disconnected thoughts? If it is unified, what is the main thrust of the message and how would you explain the various parts?
2. What does it mean to judge? Is Jesus forbidding all judging of others or only a certain kind?
3. How does getting low before God's judgment throne deliver us from prideful judging and enable us to humbly judge?
4. What is Jesus talking about in v. 6 when he tells us not to throw pearls to pigs?
5. Why do you think Christ moves to prayer after speaking of judging others? What is the connection between vv. 1-6 and vv. 7-12?
6. When God promises to give us what we ask does this mean we can ask for anything at all and that God is duty-bound to give it? How do we understand these promises in the broader context of the sermon and Scripture?
7. What illustration does God give us to encourage us to pray? And how does God's generous response to our needs lead us to fulfill the "golden rule" of v. 12?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Am I dealing with my own sin before God through faith in Christ? Or am I too focused upon the sins of others to even see my own sin?
2. How often upon hearing a sermon do I think, "So-and-so really needs to hear that," without recognizing my own need to hear and respond to it?
3. Is God's gracious generosity in answering prayer leading me to grow as a person of large-hearted generosity and care for those around me?



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Cornerstone Presbyterian Church is a community of believers devoted to glorifying our Triune God through God-centered theology, God-ordered worship, God-delighting piety, God-exalting leadership, and God-dependent mission.

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

August 6, 2023 PM

Welcome, Announcements, & Silent Prayer

GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

*God's Call to Worship | Psalm 97

Pastor: The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

People: Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

Pastor: Fire goes before him and burns up his adversaries all around.

People: His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

Pastor: The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.

People: The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

Pastor: All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!

People: Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD.

Pastor: For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

People: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

*Prayer of Adoration