

# SERMON NOTE: Becoming A Contagious Church-Prayer And The Golden Rule

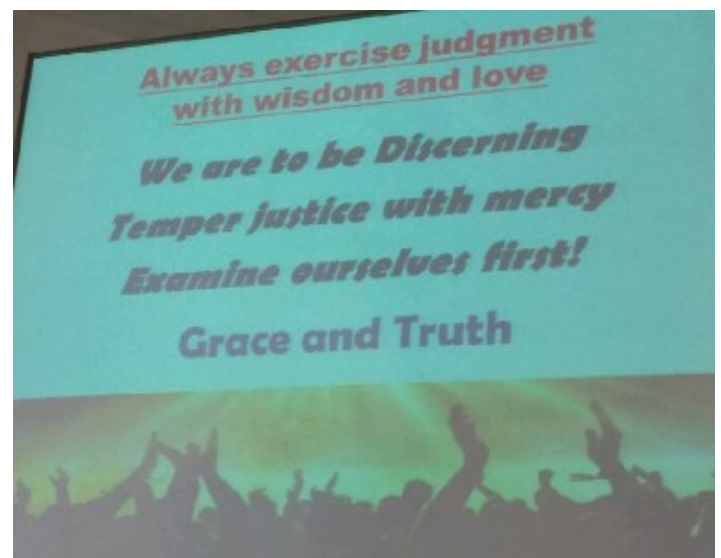
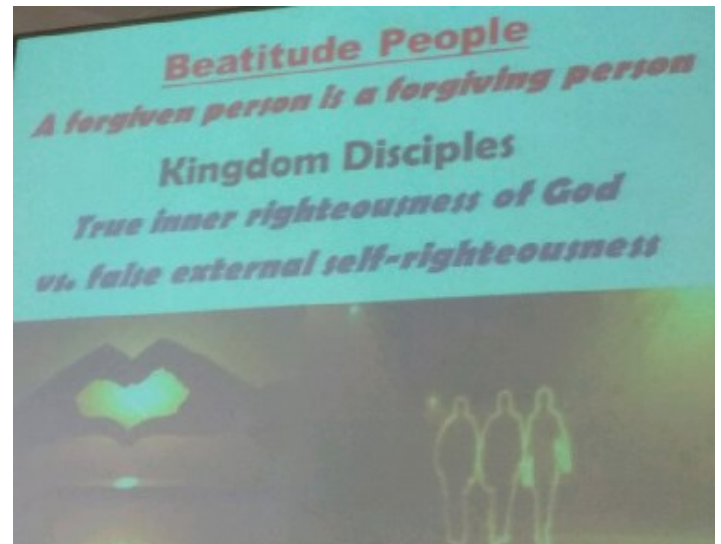
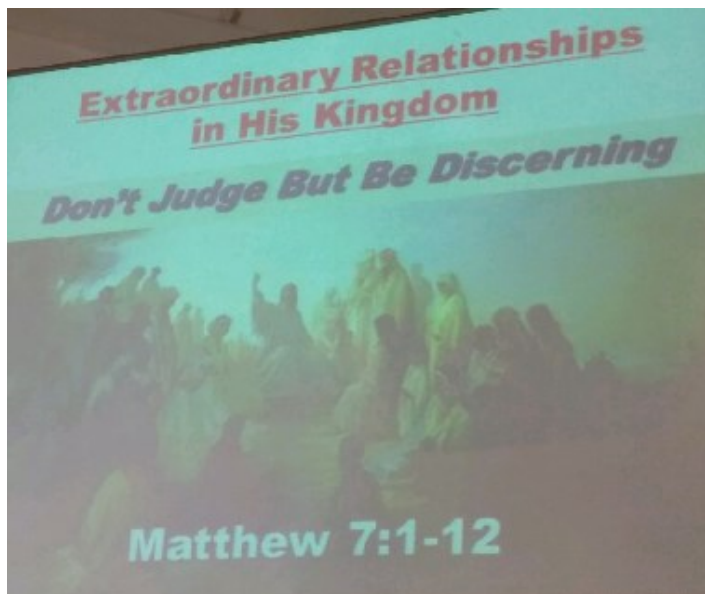
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Bible Ref: Matthew 7:7-12 NIV

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. “Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

<https://bible.com/bible/111/mat.7.7-12.NIV>



## **Keep in step with the Spirit**

**Galatians 5:25-26**

*25 Since we live by the Spirit,  
let us keep in step with the Spirit.  
26 Let us not become conceited,  
provoking and envying each other.*

How can we do so?

**Prayer and the Golden Rule**

V7-12

## **Ask, Seek, Knock.**

*7 Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.  
8 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.*



**Persistent and Expectant Prayer**

## **An exhortation to be bold** **Right view of God and ourselves**

**Be dependent on Him**



**God is a 'God of Willingness'  
Not a 'God of Reluctant'**

## **It's ALL about God** **not you or your prayer**

*10 For everyone who asks receives;  
the one who seeks finds; and to the one  
who knocks, the door will be opened.  
Ask in every way, He is everywhere,  
He will answer us.*



## **The Abiding Principle**

**We need to be in close prayerful dependent relationships with God.**

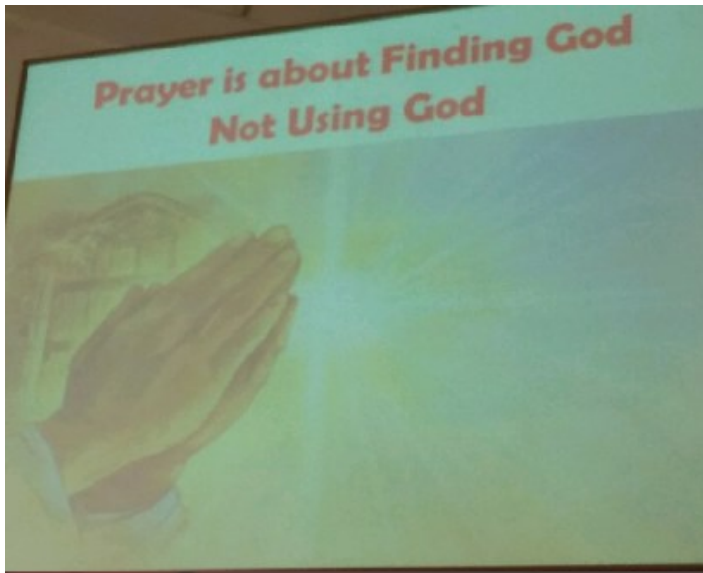


## **He is our Father in Heaven**

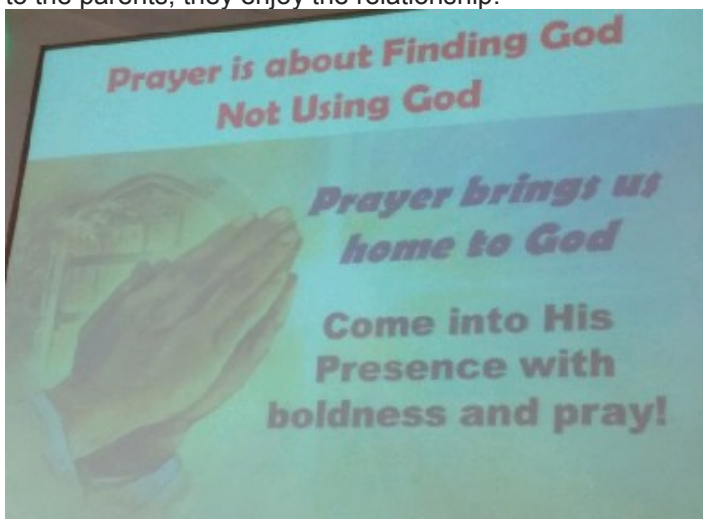
*9 Which of you, if your son asks for bread,  
will give him a stone? 10 Or if he asks for a fish,  
will give him a snake?*

**A persistent childlike trust in God  
Take Delight in who He is!**

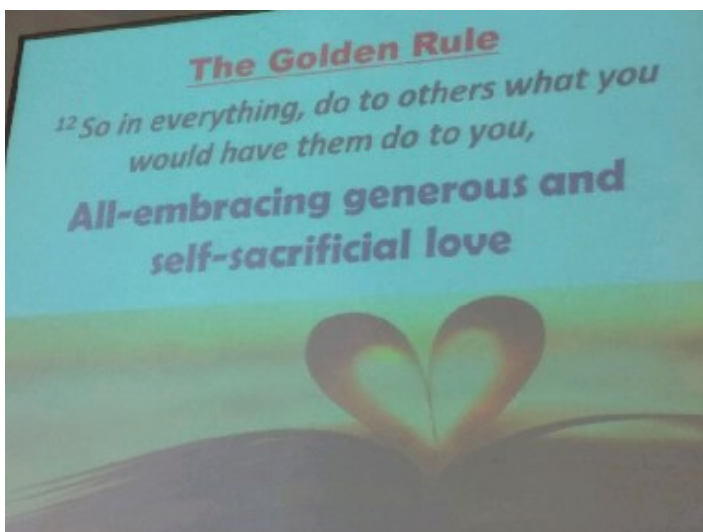




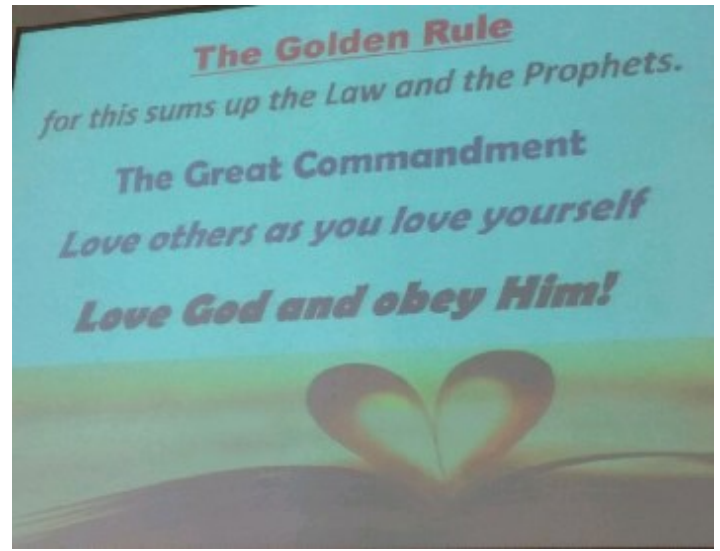
Just like parents would love the children to come and talk to the parents, they enjoy the relationship.



V12  
So in everything, do to others what you would have others do to you



This is different from don't do to others what you don't want others do unto you.  
As Christian, we have to be proactive in sharing love, not just protection against others as taught by CHRIST JESUS.



Love GOD is to come back to GOD, love HIM and Obey HIM.

Seek First The Kingdom of GOD

Focus on Relationship with GOD

