



## Going Deeper into

### Luke 6:37-42 – “By Your Measure”

**In the sermon this week, we learned that Jesus was not prohibiting against judgment, but warning us in regards to how we judge and treat others.**

Matthew 7:1 and Luke 6:37 are passages that are often used out of context. Why do you believe people who do not adhere to Christianity typically quote this verse?

Judgment is to separate, to discern what is right and wrong. What are some circumstances where we need to judge others? What problems arise if we totally neglected judgment in these circumstances?

What are some areas where you judge others unfairly or ungraciously?

Read Proverbs 16:2. What is the problem with our understanding of ourselves when comparing ourselves to others?

***Pray: Heavenly Father, help me to be gracious in my judgement toward the actions of others. I pray that I would judge truly, but be generous in offering forgiveness, just as you have forgiven me.***

**At first glance, Luke 6:37-38 sounds like God is waiting to act based on how we act. Instead, He is actually calling on us to treat others based on how He treats us.**

Read 1 John 4:7-11, 19. In what ways has God acted first towards us?

Comparing God's actions toward you and how you act toward others, how have you modeled His treatment of you in your treatment of others, and how have you not treated people like He treated you?

What makes it hard to treat people the way God has treated you?

***Pray: Dear Heavenly Father, help me to remember how you have treated me with grace and forgiveness, and help me to show patience and grace to the people in my life.***

**In Luke 6:38, Jesus reveals that though we are called to be generous in our love and mercy towards others, God is still much greater in His generosity than we are.**

David illustrated what it would look like to have grain poured into a person's bosom as a metaphor for how God blesses us. Name as many blessings as you can that you have received from God:

Read Psalm 103. Referring to your list above, write a psalm of gratitude to God for how he has blessed you:

How can you share these blessings from God with others in your life? Are there other ways you can bless people?

***Pray: Dear God, thank you for blessing me and making me your child, guide me to use what you have given me to bless others and to seek ways to give forgiveness, grace, and mercy to those in my life.***