

From Matthew 7: ¹“Judge not, that you be not judged. ²For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you. ³And why do you look at the speck in your brother’s eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me remove the speck from your eye’; and look, a plank *is* in your own eye? ⁵Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye. ⁶“Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you in pieces.

Sunday: **Is Jesus saying that we are never to judge anything at all? If not, then what is He saying? Please pray** with Oswego, N.Y., RPC for Chris Dahar who is undergoing cancer treatment. **Pray** that Gateway RP (Derry, Northern Ireland) will be settled in its new building, with all necessary government approvals granted. **Pray** that there will be no hindrance to the Bible study in Kabekel, The Gambia. **Pray** for those with health issues in Stornoway (Scotland) RPC.

Monday: **In what ways do men properly judge things? Give Biblical examples. Thank God** with Fresno, Calif., RPC for the span of ages in their church (newborn to 90s) and for new members God has sent—and for His care for each; **may God grant them** all strength and wisdom and joy in Him. **Give thanks** for the young families recently brought into Mukonoso (Kobe, Japan) RPC; **pray** that the elders would have strength and wisdom in shepherding the congregation.

Tuesday: **How will you apply the warning that Jesus is giving in v. 2? Pray** that the Lord would guard, bless, and nourish the covenant children at Hope Community (Beaver Falls, Pa.) RPC that they might be raised in the fear, love, and instruction of the Lord. **Pray** that a fulltime RP work can be established in Limerick, Ireland. **Pray** for Loughbrickland (Northern Ireland) RPC and its outreach efforts. **Pray** for Manhattan (Kan.) RPC and its pastor, Robert Kelbe.

Wednesday: **Pray** that God would continue to bring a variety of people to North Hills (Pittsburgh, Pa.) RPC, including people to evangelize, to disciple, and with a vision to build the kingdom. **Pray** that Galway (Ireland) RPC would soon have a pastor. **Pray** for Denison (Kan.) RPC and its pastor, Caleb Allyn.

Thursday: **Pray** that the Lord would encourage the people of Hope Community (Beaver Falls, Pa.) RPC, that as they are reminded of their deep need for Christ and are reminded of His promises, they would be ready to share Him with those around them. **Give thanks** for the various people brought into the RP fellowship in Nantes, France; **pray** that they will be solidly incorporated into the fellowship. **Pray** that the evangelistic efforts at Airdrie and North Edinburgh (Scotland) RPC will bear fruit.

Friday: **Give thanks** for answered prayer regarding a recent petition by Oswego, N.Y., RPC’s pastor for a land variance to allow animals on his property. **Pray** that the new visitors at Stranraer (Scotland) RPC will continue to come. **Pray** for Sparta (Ill.) RPC and its pastor, Ross Fearing.

Saturday: **Please pray** for continued orientation of Terre Haute, Ind., RPC’s new deacon board. **Pray** for the various committees of the RP Synod, that they would have strength and wisdom in considering the matters referred to them. **Pray** that

many folks will attend Atlanta RPC tomorrow and would respond positively to the message.

Atlanta Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Lord’s Day
July 9, 2023

Meeting every week at
574 Western Avenue
(corner of Western and Walnut Street)
Atlanta, Georgia
Worship at 3:30 PM

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Proclaiming the Kingship of Jesus Christ

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions

The Call to Worship

Psalm 122:1

*The Invocation

*Psalm 122B

“I Was Glad to Hear Them Saying”

Scripture Reading

Malachi 3:7-12

*Psalm 69B “O God, My Foolishness and Sins Are Surely Known to Thee”

Pastoral Prayer

*Psalm 20B

“The Lord in Your Distress Attend”

Scripture Text

Deuteronomy 7:1-11

The Sermon

“Supporting True Worship, Opposing False Worship”

*Prayer

*Psalm 132A

“Lord, Remember Thou for David”

*Benediction

*Psalm 150B

“Praises the Lord! Praise God in His Sanctuary”

** Congregation will please stand.*

We are so glad that you could join us today! Please be sure to return next week and bring a friend.

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions & Answers

“Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!”—Psalm 47:6. “Is any among you afflicted? Let him pray. Is any merry? Let him sing psalms.”—James 5:13.

Q. 44. What doth the preface to the ten commandments teach us? A. The preface to the ten commandments teacheth us, that because God is the Lord, and our God, and Redeemer, therefore we are bound to keep all his commandments.

Q. 45. Which is the first commandment? A. The first commandment is, Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

Q. 46. What is required in the first commandment? A. The first commandment requireth us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God; and to worship and glorify him accordingly.

Q 47. What is forbidden in the first commandment? A. The first commandment forbiddeth the denying, or not worshiping and glorifying, the true God as God,

and our God; and the giving of that worship and glory to any other, which is due to him alone.

For your convenience, a tithe box is located at the back.

The law commands us to support true worship and oppose false.

I. Supporting True Worship: MATS

A. Membership

1. The church is a worshipping community
2. The necessity of membership in the visible church
 - a. Numbering the people: Book of Numbers; Ezra 2; Acts 2
 - b. Public worship requires the visible church
 - c. Full participation in worship requires membership
 - d. Submission to the elders is expected: Hebrews 13:17

B. Attendance

1. The Sabbath Day is given for public worship
2. This is the pattern by our Lord and all of the saints
 - a. Jesus went into the synagogue each Sabbath Day
 - b. Psalm 122:1 illustrates the pattern for the church
3. We’re commanded to assemble for worship: Hebrews 10:25
4. Participation in worship is expected

C. Tithing [Tangible support]

1. Genesis 14; Malachi 3:8-10
2. The church cannot run without money: I Timothy 5:17
3. It’s a display of whether you value the worship of God

D. Supremacy of God’s glory

II. Opposing False Worship

- A. Attitude—to detest it (Acts 17:16-17; Psalm 16:4)
- B. Action—to oppose it (Deuteronomy 7:5; Isaiah 30:22)

III. The Importance of Keeping the Second Commandment

- A. This commandment is a matter of the heart
- B. This commandment has importance for families and children
- C. Worship and salvation are linked to each other
 1. The Bible everywhere condemns hypocrisy
 2. Trinitarian salvation is necessary for Trinitarian worship

Application

- A. Commit to worshipping God as He has commanded

B. Come into God's presence in the name of Jesus, trusting in
His blood and His imputed righteousness