Today's Quotes:

"The heart that has tasted the Lord's grace and forgiveness will always be restrained in its judgment of others. It has seen itself deserving judgment and condemnation before the Lord, and yet, instead of experiencing His burning anger, has tasted His infinite mercy." Sinclair Ferguson, The Message of the Sermon on the Mount

"The Christian life is indeed demanding, but in essence its principle is simple. It is knowing the grace of God so powerfully in your heart that you are freed from the mastery of sin and self over your life. You can now serve others and bring blessing to them as the Lord has brought blessing to you. This is the kind of clearsightedness that arises from living in the light of the judgment of God your Father." Sinclair Ferguson, The Message of the Sermon on the Mount

Upcoming Lessons:

Sunday, August 31st Kingdom Commitment (Matthew 7:13-29)

The Sermon on the Mount Kingdom Relationships (Matthew 7:1-12)

I. Introduction

	A. Jesus commands our perfection (Matt. 5:48), but knows we will
	B. Jesus designed kingdom relationships to help sin.
II. Responding to Sin in Kingdom Relationships (vv. 1-6)	
	A. A critical spirit of judgment compromises
•	B. A humble spirit of self-awareness complements
III. Reliance on God the Father in Kingdom Relationships (vv. 7-11)	
	A. An awareness of sin leads to reliance on God the Father.
ø	B. Reliance on God the Father leads to in the midst of sin.
IV. Restoring Brotherly Love in Kingdom Relationships (v. 12)	
	A. The greatest obstacle to brotherly love is
	B. The greatest path to brotherly love is
V. Conclusion	
	A. We are called to live out the Sermon on the Mount
	B. We cannot live out the Sermon on the Mount apart from the

Questions for Reflection

- 1. Is there a person (or group of people) that you are quick to judge? Does you eagerness to judge them say anything about particular sins in your own life?
- 2. In addition to prayer, what can you do this week to identify and remove the "logs" from your eyes?
- Make a list of three ways you need others to love you. Pray that God would give you the wisdom and faithfulness to love others in those ways.