



*Welcome to
Sierra
Community Church*

Psalms 23:2 He leads me beside quiet waters...

Hope Valley

Parent/Child Dedication Sunday

Sunday, May 8th



Ladies Spring Luncheon



Saturday May 14th

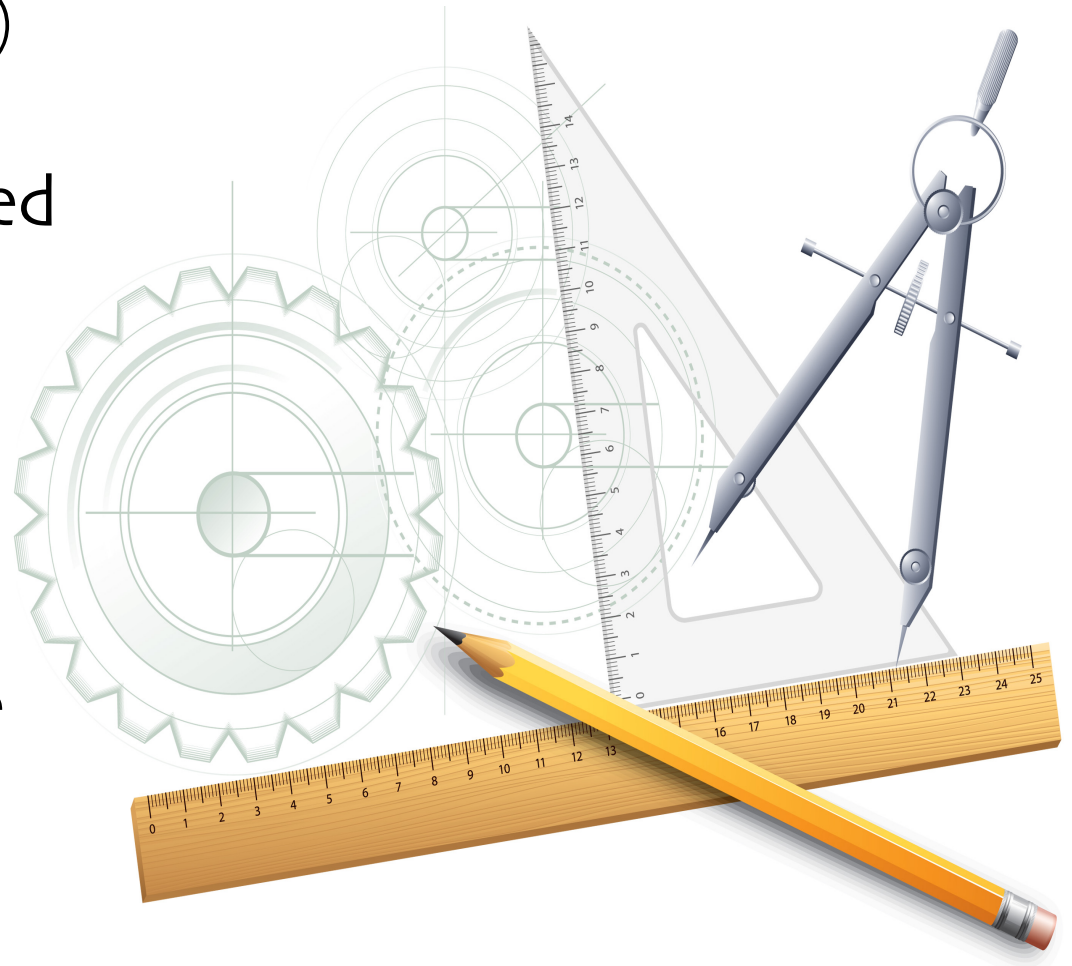
10:30am - 1:30pm

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301: Designed to Serve

(Core Values Class)

God has uniquely gifted each one of us with abilities with which we can contribute to others' lives and extend God's influence everywhere we live.



Saturday, May 21th 9am - 12pm

Kings the Speech



Examining Jesus' teachings from the Sermon on the Mount

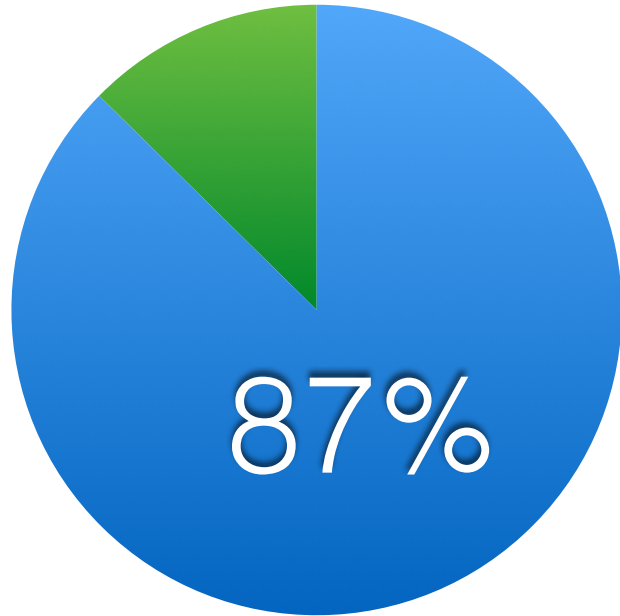
Matthew



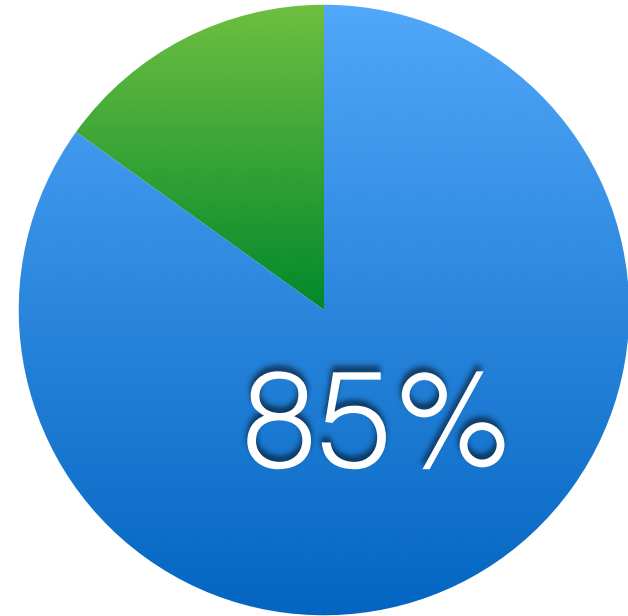
7:1-7&12

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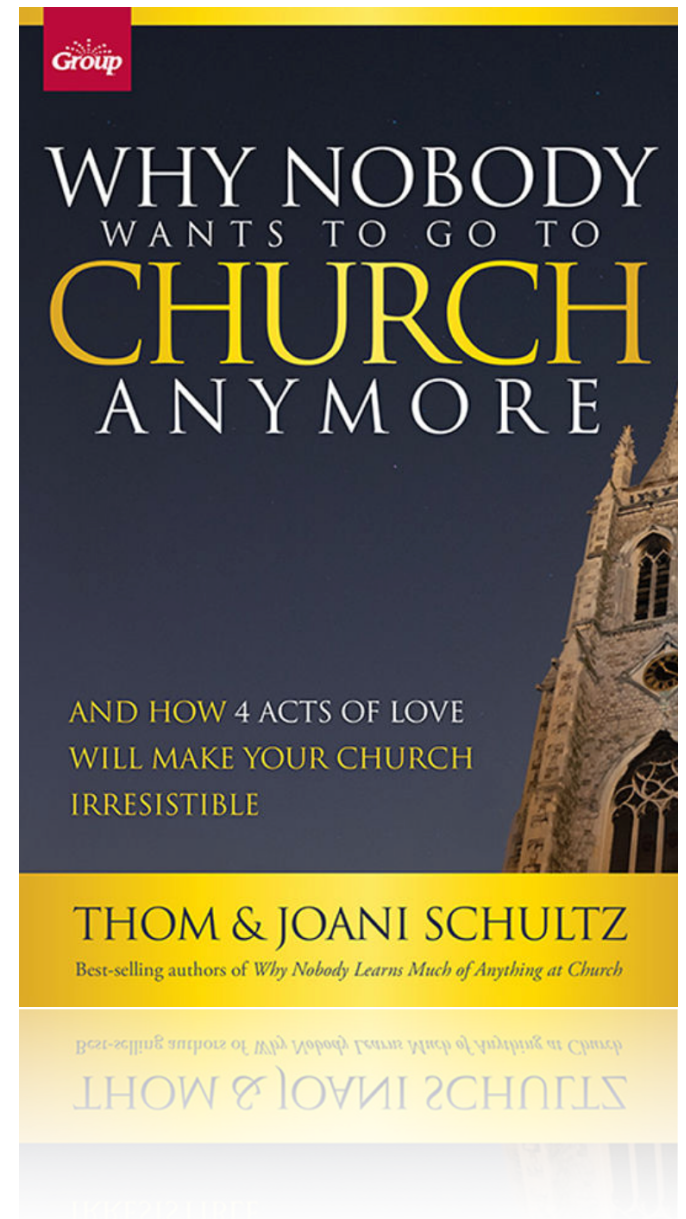
Christians are
hypocritical



“And substantial majorities of Millennials who don’t go to church say they see Christians as judgmental (87%), hypocritical (85%)”

“The Pew Research Center recently noted that the proportion of Americans who “seldom” or “never” attend church has risen modestly over the past 10 years. In 2003, 25 percent Americans fell into this category, but in 2013, that proportion has increased to 29 percent.”

2 of the 4 reasons addressed in the book are that people view Christians as being ***judgmental and hypocritical.***

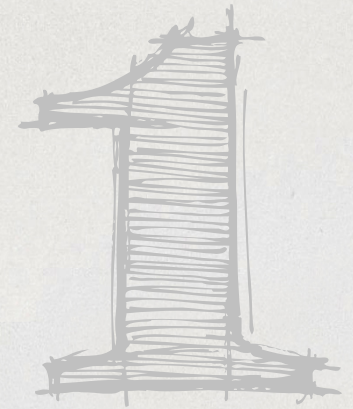


A close-up photograph of Gene Wilder, the actor who played Gene Wilder in the 1984 film "The Sandlot". He is wearing a purple suit jacket, a white shirt, and a large, light-colored bow tie. He has a slight, knowing smile and is resting his head on his right hand. The background is slightly out of focus, showing what appears to be a doorway or a wall.

**SO YOU DON'T GO TO CHURCH
BECAUSE ITS FULL OF
HYPOCRITES?**

**WELL DON'T LET THAT STOP YOU,
THERE'S ROOM FOR ONE MORE!**

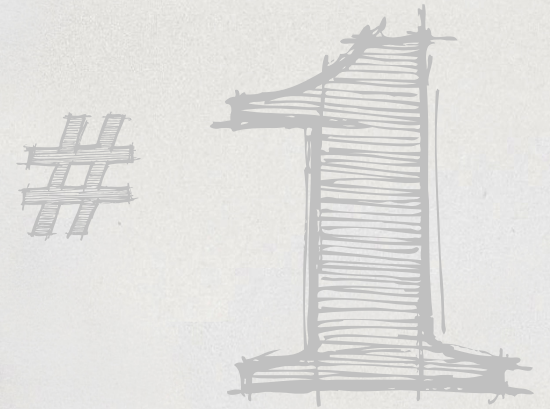
Matthew 7:1-4



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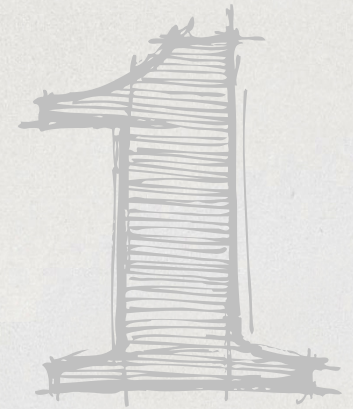
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Jesus is warning that the self-righteousness that comes from comparing yourself to others reflects a disregard for the universal need of salvation that everyone has.

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1. A Warning: The scales you use will be the same applied to you!

Matthew 6:12

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Matthew 6:12;14&15

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Matthew 7:5

*“Plank in your
eye, speck in your
brother’s”*



**Jesus uses extreme exaggeration points
out the insanity of paying more attention
to others faults than to your own!**

Matthew 7:5

*“first take the plank
out of your own eye,
and then you will see
clearly”*



Having an appreciation for our own spiritual condition will allow us to be of genuine service to others.

Matthew 7:6

***“Dogs, Pigs
and Pearls”***



**Understanding your audience allows
you to share pearls of wisdom with
people who are ready to receive them.**

Matthew 7:7



***“Ask, seek
and knock”***

It’s not an accident that healthy relationships are built on a foundation of *continually* seeking God for wisdom!

Matthew 7:6

“Considerations about Confronting.”



1. Are you working out “the logs” in our own eye?

Matthew 7:6

*“Considerations
about
Confronting.”*



**2. Commit yourself to praying
for God’s wisdom in all your
relationships!**

Matthew 7:6

“Considerations about Confronting.”

**3. Am I addressing a
genuine moral issue or a
personal offense?**



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4. Is this a relationship where God has given me a responsibility or opportunity to speak into the life of the individual?

Matthew 7:12



12 So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

Indeed it is the “Golden Rule”!



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