Matthew 7

1 Do not judge (be decided, come to a choice by making a judgment, to separate/distinguish), so that you should not be judged:

2 For in whatever judgment you judge, you will be judged; and in whatever measure you measure, it will be measured to you.

3 And why do you look at the speck (wood/hay splinter/chip) that is in your brothers eye, and do not take notice (attentively consider/comprehend) of the beam in your own eye?

4 Or how shall you say to your brother, Permit that I might cast out the speck from out of your eye; and behold, the beam that is in your eye!

5 Hypocrite, first cast out from out of your eye the beam, and then you will thoroughly see to cast out the speck from out of your brothers eye.

6 Do not give that which is holy to the dogs, nor cast your pearls (greek & latin-margaritas) before the pigs, lest ever they shall trample them down with their feet and having turned, they tear you to pieces (break apart, latin-disrumpant-tear).

7 Ask (Request) and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

8 For everyone asking receives; and the one seeking, finds; and to the one knocking, it will be opened.

9 Or which man is there from out of you whom his son will ask for bread: will give him a stone?

10 Or also he will ask for a fish: will he give him a serpent?

11 If therefore you, being evil, know to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father, who is in the heavens, give good things to those asking Him?

12 All things therefore, as many as you might want that men should do to you, so also you do to them. For this is the law and the prophets.

13 Enter through the narrow gate. Because broad (wide) is the gate and spacious (broad) is the way leading unto destruction, and many are those entering through it;

14 Because the gate is narrow and the way constricted (pressed hard) leading away unto life, and few are those finding it.

15 Take heed (beware, have/hold towards, pay attention to) of (away from) the false prophets who come to you in sheep’s clothing , however inwardly they are ravenous (harpages- close to the word for rapture and meaning is close- sudden snatching/seizing) wolves.

16 You will know them from their fruits. Do they gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles?

17 So every good tree produces good fruits; however the rotten tree produces evil fruits.

18 A good (agathon) tree is not able to produce evil (ponerous) fruits; nor a rotten (sapron) tree produce good (kalous) fruits.

19 Every tree not producing good (kalon) fruit is cut out and thrown into fire.

20 You will recognize (know upon) them then from their fruits.

21 Not everyone saying to Me, Lord, Lord, will enter into the kingdom of the heavens, but the one doing the will of My Father, who is in the heavens.

22 Many will say to Me on that there day, Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy [in] Your name, and [in] Your name cast out demons, and [in] Your name do many miracles?

23 And then I will confess (to speak the same conclusion) to them, I never knew you; depart away from Me, those working lawlessness.

24 Everyone therefore, whoever hears these My words and does them will be like a smart (greek- phronimo, intelligent, sensible) man who built his house upon the rock (lass mass of connected rock).

25 And the rain came down and the floods (rivers) came, and the winds blew, and beat against that there house, and it did not fall for it had been founded upon the rock.

26 And everyone hearing these My words and not doing them will be likened to a moronic (dull, stupid) man who built his house upon the sand.

27 And the rain came down, and the floods (rivers) came, and the winds blew, and beat against that there house, and it fell- and its fall was great.

28 And it happened, when Jesus had finished these words, the crowds were astounded at (upon) His teaching,

29 For He was teaching them as having authority and not as their scribes.