PURPOSE CHURCH SUNDAYS 8:30am | 10:00am | 11:30am



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What He Said, What He Did, and How We Follow

## WELCOME TO PURPOSE CHURCH!

Are you new to Purpose Church?

We are so glad you are here! We want to meet you, answer any questions you might have, and help you get connected. Come to the Connect Center located in the Lobby after the service to meet our friendly team and pick up a free gift!

#### **NEXT STEPS AT PURPOSE**

We believe every person has a *next step* to take. We are here to help you discover and take yours.

Have you decided to follow Jesus?
Do you want to get baptized?
Do you need hope, healing and support?
Are you looking for meaningful community?

Head to: purposechurch.com/nextsteps



# EVERYONE EVERYWHERE FOLLOWING JESUS

#### **PRAYER**

We would love to pray with you! Please stop by the prayer room after the service or submit a prayer request online. purposechurch.com/prayer

#### **GIVING**

We believe that generous people transform the world! Offering boxes are available in the lobby on Sundays or you can give online. purposechurch.com/give

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### 5 CONTROVERSIAL THINGS JESUS SAID AND WHAT HE ACTUALLY MEANT

January 26 / Pastor Eric Holmstrom

#1 - "DO NOT	"	
Matthew 7:1-5		
#2 - "ASK AND IT	BE GIVEN TO YOU"	
Matthew 7:7-11		
#3 - "ONLY A	FIND IT"	
Matthew 7:13-14		
#4 "WATCH OUT FOR		
#4 - "WATCH OUT FOR		PROPHETS
Matthew 7:15-20		
#5 - "I NEVER	YOU"	
Matthew 7:21-23		
John 3:16		

#### **HOW CAN I BEGIN FOLLOWING JESUS?**

Jesus, I **CONFESS** that my sin is a problem I can't fix.

I **BELIEVE** that you died on the cross to forgive me.

I TRUST that you rose from the dead proving you are God.

I **RECEIVE** you as my Lord and Savior.

Today and every day, I **CHOOSE** to follow you!

#### **YOUR NEXT 5 STEPS**

- Let us KNOW.
- **READ** your Bible.
- PRAY daily.
- JOIN a Life Group.
- SHARE Jesus with someone.

#### REFLECT | DISCUSS | PRACTICE

- 1. **REFLECT:** How did God specifically speak to you through the Bible passages and sermon?
- 2. **DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 7:1-6. How do we make sure we aren't being hypocrites when we judge fellow believers and what should be our motive when we do?
- **3. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 7:7-12. How have you experienced this passage being misinterpreted and what do you think Jesus is actually saying?
- **4. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 7:13-14. Are there any areas of your life right now where you are walking the broad road to destruction and what does it look like to start for the first time, or start again, a journey on the narrow road with Jesus?
- **5. DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 7:15-23. According to Jesus, how can you be sure that you aren't a fake and counterfeit Christian but that you genuinely are walking with Jesus?
- **6. PRACTICE:** Read or listen to the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7) at least three times this week. Then journal, go on a prayer walk, or spend some time in solitude with God and ask Him to show you areas of your life that aren't aligned with His teachings and ask Him to change you, help you find freedom, and follow Him more closely in those areas.

For more life group, reflection, and discussion content, and to join or start a group, visit: **purposechurch.com/groups** 

Fill in the blanks: JUDGE, WILL, FEW, FALSE, KNEW

