Questions for Consideration—With the Master on the Mount—Lesson 17— Matthew 7:6—Stop Giving Out Truth!

- 1. (a) Do you think there is a connection between Matthew 7:6 and Matthew 7:1-5? (b) If so, what is the connection? (c) Do you think there is any connection between Matthew 7:6 and Matthew 7:7? (d) If so what is the connection?
- 2. Memorize Matthew 7:6.
- 3. (a) What do you learn about dogs from the following passages? 1 Kings 14:11;Psalm 22:16; Psalm 59:6; Proverbs 26:11; Isaiah 56:11; 2 Peter 2:18-22; Revelation 22:14,15. (b) What do you learn about pigs from the following passages? Leviticus 11:7; Matthew 8:28-34; Luke 15:11-16; 2 Peter 2:18-22. (c) How does this better help you to understand what Jesus says in Matthew 7:6?
- 4. (a) Read Acts 7. Who is giving holy things to "dogs"? (b) What was the result of this? (c) Jesus calls unbelievers dogs and swine in Matthew 7:6. What words does Stephen use to describe unbelievers in Acts 7:51-53? (d) How is Acts 7:54-60 a great illustration of what Jesus is saying in Matthew 7:6? (e) What happened after the stoning of Stephen according to Acts 8:1-4? (f) How does this encourage you when you are persecuted for giving out truth?
- 5. (a) What attitudes should we have as we share truth with those who are not redeemed according to Matthew 10:16; Colossians 4:5, 6; 1 Peter 3:1-6? (b) What were the responses of those who were given truth according to Matthew 15:12-14; Acts 13:44-46 Acts 18:5-8; Acts 28:23-31? (c) What does Jesus say we should do when someone refuses the truth in Matthew 10:11-15? (d) How do you respond when the gospel message is rejected?
- 6. (a) Do you think there comes a time that we stop sharing the gospel with an individual? (b) How would one discern that? Use Scripture to support your answer.
- 7. Is there someone you know who needs the gospel? Have you exhausted all efforts in sharing with them? Please write a prayer request so that others might pray for you.