

Being Judgmental: Personal Judgment (Matthew 7:1-5)

BACKGROUND: Jesus, in our text, is preaching the Sermon on the Mount, the longest recorded sermon of Jesus in his earthly ministry. It is in this sermon that he addresses this issue of being judgmental.

John 7:24, "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment."

- I. OBSERVE THE GOLDEN RULE (MATTHEW 7:1-2)
- II. QUESTION WHY YOU ARE OFFENDED (MATTHEW 7:3)
- III. LOOK IN THE MIRROR

Galatians 6:1, "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual (without a beam in their eye), restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted."

Being Judgmental: Church Judgment (I Corinth. 5:1-13)

- I. THE SITUATION IN THE CHURCH (I CORINTHIANS 5:1)
- II. THE STATE OF THE CHURCH (I CORINTHIANS 5:2)
- III. THE SERIOUSNESS TO THE CHURCH (I CORINTHIANS 5:3-6)
- IV. THE SEPARATION OF THE CHURCH (I CORINTHIANS 5:7-13)

Being Judgmental: Church Discipline (Matthew 18)

- I. THE COMPARISON (MATTHEW 18:11-14)
- II. THE COMMAND (MATTHEW 18:15-17)
 - STEP 1: GO TO HIM ALONE (18:15)
 - STEP 2: TAKE ONE OR TWO WITNESSES (18:16)
 - STEP 3: TAKE IT BEFORE THE CHURCH (18:17)
- III. THE COMPASSION (MATTHEW 18:17)

Being Judgmental: Responding to Unfair Judgment (Luke 23)

- I. THERE MUST BE FORGIVENESS (LUKE 23:33-34)
- II. LEAVE THE DOOR OPEN FOR RECONCILIATION (LUKE 23:45)

Hebrews 4:16, "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

- III. ALWAYS THINK OF OTHERS (LUKE 23:47-48)
- IV. WAIT FOR REWARDS IN HEAVEN (LUKE 6:22-23)
