Judge Not, Lest Ye Be Judged!

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What Did Jesus Say?!

Matthew 7:1, *Do not judge, or you too will be judged. 2 For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.*

To Judge = To <u>CRITICIZE THE LIVES AND ACTIONS OF OTHERS</u>

THE LORD Is The Judge

Romans 2:5, But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when His righteous judgment will be revealed. 6 God "will repay each person according to what they have done.

John 3:16, For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.

John 16:7, But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. 8 When He comes, He will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 about sin, because people do not believe in Me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see Me no longer; 11 and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

We Are Called To LIVE OUT THE TRUTH.

2 Timothy 4:2, *Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and*

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Matthew 7:6, "Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

• Do Not CONDEMN Them

John 3:18, *Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the Name of God's one and only Son.*

Do Not <u>DISASSOCIATE</u> With Them

1 Corinthians 5:9, *I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people— 10 not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world.*

Psalm 1:1, Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, 2 but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on His law day and night.

Do Not PLACE GOSPEL EXPECTATIONS On Them

Galatians 3:5, *So again I ask, does God give you His Spirit and work miracles among you by the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard?*

"A man may easier see without eyes, speak without a tongue, than truly mortify one sin without the Spirit." - John Owen

Preach <u>GRACE AND TRUTH</u> In The <u>SPIRIT</u>

1 Corinthians 2:2, For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. 3 I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. 4 My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, 5 so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom,

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• Do Not <u>CONDEMN</u> Them

Romans 8:1, *Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus...*

2 Corinthians 5:10, For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

• Seek <u>MUTUAL ACCOUNTABILITY</u>

Matthew 7:3, "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? 4 How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? 5 You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

3-Point Checklist To Examine Your PLANK:

Check Your <u>HEART</u>

Psalm 139:23, Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. 24 See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Check Your <u>STANDARD</u>

Psalm 119:105, Your Word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

Check Your <u>RESPONSE</u>

1 John 1:9, *If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we claim we have not sinned, we make Him out to be a liar and His Word is not in us.*

5-Point Checklist To Examine Their <u>SPECK</u>:

Check Your <u>RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD</u>

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Check Your <u>RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM</u>

1 Thessalonians 2:11, For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, 12 encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, Who calls you into His kingdom and glory.

Check The <u>SIN</u>

1 Corinthians 5:1, *It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that even pagans do not tolerate: A man is sleeping with his father's wife. 2 And you are proud! Shouldn't you rather have gone into mourning and have put out of your fellowship the man who has been doing this?*

- → Is There EVIDENCE?
- → How Does It Impact The <u>WITNESS OF THE CHURCH</u>?
- → Is It <u>UNREPENTANT</u>?

Check Your <u>APPROACH</u>

Matthew 18:15, "If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. 16 But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.' 17 If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector.

Check Your <u>MOTIVATION</u>

1 Corinthians 5:5, *Hand this man over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved on the day of the Lord.... 12 What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those inside?13 God will judge those outside. "Expel* the wicked person from among you."

Extend <u>GRACE</u>

Romans 14:13, *Therefore let us stop passing judgment on one another. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister.*

Speak <u>TRUTH</u>

Ephesians 4:25, *Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body.*

Seek UNITY

Romans 12:16, *Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.*

Pursue <u>FORGIVENESS</u>

Colossians 3:13, *Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.*

■ Share <u>ONE ANOTHER'S BURDENS</u>

Galatians 6:2, *Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.*