

Matthew's Gospel "The Sermon On The Mount"
"The Speck and the Log"
Matthew 7:1-5
Part 36

Matthew 6:19-34 Christian and Ambition –

Matthew 7:1-20 The Christian and Relationships

1. Verses – 1-2 Don't Be Critical:
2. Verses – 3-4 Don't Be Hypocritical:
3. Verse – 5 Be Brotherly:

1. Verses – 1-2 Don't Be Critical:

What does Jesus not mean by "Do not judge"

1. "Do not judge lest you be judged. We should not have a judicial system, Judges, Juries.

Romans 13:1-4

2. "Do not judge lest you be judged. We should not judge the spirituality of another person such as possible marriage partner:

Matthew 7:16-20

1 Corinthians 7:39

2 Corinthians 6:14

3. "Do not judge lest you be judged. We should not judge the teaching of a pastor or teacher within church.

Acts 17:11

Matthew 7:15-20

John 7:24

2 Timothy 2:16-19

1 John 4:1-6; 2 John 6-11; Titus 3:9-11

4. "Do not judge lest you be judged. We should not make judgments as to ones moral conduct, and behavior, within the Church:

1 Corinthians 5:9-13

Matthew 18:15-20 - Brother sins

5. "Do not judge lest you be judged." We should never be or give a character reference for someone applying for a job, wanting to attend a Christian school, Missions, or ministry.

Romans 16:1-14

Matthew 7:6

6. "Do not judge lest you be judged. We should not be a judge of pies, cakes, or Chili Cook off's:

"Do not judge" "Condemning judgment in the final sense, censoriousness.

Hypercritical judgment that is destructive, opposed to a discerning spirit, which is constructive. This judgmental spirit does not take into account the heart, the motives, which man cannot know. It Judges according to personality and not thru principles, focusing on non-essential issues verses the essential issues, focuses on things that are of little importance and treats them as matters of vital importance."

This judgment really finds enjoyment when it finds fault, because it may be fueled by jealousy, and envy.

To expose the sin of another should break one's heart because it breaks the heart of our Heavenly Father. We should want to see the offending person restored to God and others.

Roman 2:1

Roman 14:1-4, 10-11

1 Corinthians 4:5

Matthew 7:2

There are 3 Judgments in Scripture.

1. Eternal Judgment - Rev. 20:11-14
2. Judgment Seat of Christ - 1 Corinthians 3:12-15; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Romans 14:10-12; 2 Timothy 1:16-18; Revelation 14:13
3. The Judgment of the Children of God. (Discipline) Hebrews 12:3-11; 1 Corinthians 5; 1 Corinthians 11:27-32

James 3:1

2 Corinthians 5:10-11

2. Verses – 3-4 Don't Be Hypocritical:

Matthew 7:3 "And why do you look at the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?"

"And why do you look at the speck Literally "sawdust, or chaff"

But do not notice the log the word log - "huge wooden rafter, board, today Steel girder."

Matthew 7:4

2 Samuel 11-12

Luke 9:51-56

Mark 10:13-16

John 8:1-11

Self-righteousness turns to censoriousness, (Sen-sour-E-S) which produces a false benevolence (Let me help you with your speck!), which leads to contempt.

3. Verse – 5 Be Brotherly:

Matthew 7:5

Hypocrite - "an actor, pretender, one who plays a part, to speak from underneath"

Matthew 5:3

Psalm 139:23-24

1 Corinthians 11:28-32

Galatians 6:1-2

Restore – "to set a broken bone"

Conclusion:

How can we possibly get the log out of our own eye?

1. We need to confess that we are sinners, in need of forgiveness. We have often judged wrongly.
2. Ask God to fill you with his Holy Spirit.
3. Ask God to give you, compassion, sympathy, understanding, and humility.
4. Read 1 Corinthians 13 Face the truth about ourselves, it hurts, it will produce a non-critical judging person.

Matthew 7:5 and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.