

June 6, 2021

### **Do. Not. Judge.**

Mt. 7:1-6

#### **Judgement is like a boomerang**

If you're a **jerk** to other people, they will be **jerks** to you

#### **Judgement is Always Hypocrisy**

There's something that we could **ALWAYS** be judged for

#### **Judgement is Misperception**

We can't see it **clearly** because of the log

#### **Jesus Shines the Light**

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#### **Examine ourselves honesty**

1. You can't be **helpful** if you aren't first **humble**

#### **Restoration and Wholeness**

1. The goal is not to be **right**. The goal is to be **helpful**.

#### **Operate from a Place of Relationship**

1. People don't **care** how much you **know** until they **know** how much you **care**. C. Groeschel

#### **Patiently Pursue Cooperation**

Gal. 6:1

1. Words carry weight that can either **develop** or **destroy**

#### **Work With Gentleness**

1. Ask the question "Why are they the **way** they are?"

#### **Proceed with Wisdom**

Mt. 7:6

1. We say things that are both true and helpful...to **restore**.

## **Life Group Questions**

- 1) How might you practice being a non-judgemental presence in our world?
- 2) What are the reasons that you might judge someone?
- 3) From the previous question; What are some reasons others could judge you?

## DIGGING DEEPER

- 4) In 1 Cor. 2:15-16 Paul says the Spirit of God in you gives you the ability to discern what's going on in the world.
  - a) How can discernment become condemnation?
  - b) Discuss what we can do to be sure that doesn't happen to us?
  
1. Instead of carrying a gavel, Jesus is telling us to bring a flashlight (don't judge, shine a light, help restore others).
  - a. Are there things we can do as a faith family that will help us follow Jesus' command?
  
  - b. What 'logs' might you have to remove before you can help your brother/sister?

## TAKING IT HOME

- 1) It's easy for those who study God's Word to slip from discernment to condemnation. We read and know what is right in His word, but there are times when people aren't ready to receive that word. Pray this week that God will help you proceed with wisdom as you journey through life as one beggar who found bread telling other beggars where to find bread!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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