

## Ep.1377: Do Christians Get to Judge Others

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- 1. Matthew 7:1-5
  - a. verse 1: What is Jesus' warning?
  - b. verse 2: What is the message here?
  - c. verse 3-5: Explain this illustration:
    - ➤ What about logs and twigs? What does "notice" mean?
    - ➤ What is the danger in judging without fully observing our own prejudices?
    - Answer the "When to Judge and When Not to Judge" questions on page 4.
- 2. Thoroughly define some of the judgments we are responsible for:
  - a. 1 Corinthians 6:1-3
  - b. Matthew 7:15-20
  - c. 1 Corinthians 5:1-2
  - d. 1 Timothy 3:1-2, Acts 14:23
  - e. Galatians 1:6-8, 2 Timothy 2:15
- 3. How do we keep our eyes on the principles Jesus used in judgment?
  - a. Matthew 6:19-23: How do we keep our eyes "clear," with single vision? What is to be our focus?
  - b. Matthew 7:3-5: How do we recover full vision and allow light into our eyes?
  - c. Hebrews 12:1-2, 1 Peter 2:21-25: What are the next steps?
  - d. Have your perceptions of others changed when you focus on the way Jesus looked at others?
  - e. What are the biggest "trees" you find in your eye? How have you changed your approach to judging?
    - Lesson 1: What is the difference between being a "hearer of the word" and a "doer of the word"? Which are you? (James 1:21-25, 4:12)
    - Lesson 2: How do we use what we learn from fully observing our own motivations to bless others? In what ways can you benefit others in your fellowship without leading with judgment? (Hebrews 10:22-24, Matthew 7:9-12)
- 4. What role does Christian liberty play in our judging? (Romans 14:2-4)
  - a. What is the most important part of our dealing with all others in the brotherhood?
  - b. Do you find this difficult at times? Why or why not?
  - c. What must we keep before us at all times to ensure mercy and scriptural compassion with our brethren and also with those around us in the world?

