



ONE AWESOME SERMON: JUDGMENT-FREE ZONE ?

Matthew 7:1-6

VS. 1-2

“Do not **judge**” To judge, pass sentence or give one’s opinion in a private manner. Harsh, destructive criticism

Discernment IS NOT forbidden

(Matt. 7:5-6; 15-20; 1 Cor. 6:5)

Hypocrisy IS forbidden

“Or you’ll be judged” in the same manner, measure



“YOU DO YOU; I’LL DO ME” ?

Not ours to judge the world, but we need to judge
within the Body of Christ

1 Cor. 5:12-13

Such accountability is so very foreign

SPECKS AND PLANKS VS. 3-5

Check your heart. No double standards

The problem is NOT that you are interested in your brother's spiritual well-being. The problem is that you are ignoring your own glaring sin while picking on his.

This is NOT an excuse for “well, I’m not perfect either. I mean, we’ve all got our sin. I have no room to talk.”



VS. 4

Our judgment is compromised by our own sin.
We simply cannot see clearly

It's a rare person who sees their own sin as 'worse'
than someone else's



VS. 5

First we must deal with our own, and then we can see clearly to help a bro/sis out.

(Ps. 51, vss. 10-13)

To be clear, helping a bro/sis with “the sin that so easily entangles” is legit (Gal. 6:1-2)



VS. 6

Ironically, a judgment, one that would be labeled hate speech in a culture that seeks to subdue any suggestion of right and wrong, good and evil.

In the context, are the 'sacred' and the 'pearls' the much needed critique (after removing the log)?

The value of the correction implied?

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- Judge actions, not motives nor appearances
(1 Kings 8:39; 1 Cor. 4:5; John 7:24)
- Only judge indisputable things (Rom. 14)
- Seek to restore (Gal. 6:1-2)