



"Do Not Judge" – Matthew 7:1-5

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Fun Question: What household chore do you hate doing the most? Why?

Matthew 7:1-5, "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.

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.

1. We all tend to judge/condemn others. What makes it so hard to resist the temptation to judge for you?
2. Share about a time when you were quick to see the wrong in others while being blind to your own failures.
3. Galatians 6:1-3 says, *"Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. 2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. 3 If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves.*

Psalm 17:8 reads, *"Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings..."*

How does a biblical view of people and God's heart for you change your own tendency to judge others?

Deeper Study

Observe, study, and analyze 1 Cor 4:1-20. How does 1 Cor 4:3-5 set up the rest of his address to the Corinthians in the chapter? Why do you think it was important for Paul to talk about judging near the opening of chapter 4?