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Part 2: Do Not Judge



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“Do not judge, or you too will be judged.” (Matthew 7:1)

How to Interpret the Bible

- Understand the context.
- Use Scripture to interpret Scripture.
- Apply what we learn.

What’s the Context?

“Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” (Matthew 7:1-2)

“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? How can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take that speck out of your eye,’ when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? 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.” (Matthew 7:3-5)

What the Bible Says About Judging

1. Never judge _____

“You may think you can condemn such people, but you are just as bad, and you have no excuse! When you say they are wicked and should be punished, you are condemning yourself, for you who judge others do these very same things.” (Romans 2:1)

- The place where you judge most harshly often reveals your deepest weakness.

2. Never judge _____

“Stop judging by mere appearances, but instead judge correctly.” (John 7:24)

- When in doubt, err on the side of love.

3. Never hold non-Christians to _____

“What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those who are inside? God will judge those outside ...” (1 Corinthians 5:12)

- If someone is outside the family of God, we don't hold them accountable to our family standards.