

July 19, 2015
James 4:11-12

JUDGE NOT: STOP PLAYING GOD

I. Introduction:

II. Why Do We Judge Others?

1. _____
“So, when you, a mere man pass judgment on them, and yet do the same thing, do you think you will escape God’s judgment?” Romans 2:3
2. _____
“The words of a gossip are like choice morsels.” Proverbs 26:2 “Gossip is so tasty! How we love to swallow it!” (GN)

III. Why Shouldn’t I Judge Others?

It is _____
“Brothers do not slander....anyone who speaks against his brother or judges his brother.....” James 4:11

It is _____
“Anyone who judges, speaks against the law. James 4:11

See James 2:8

It is _____
There is only one Lawgiver and Judge....who are you to judge your neighbor? James 4:12

IV. When Is It Wrong To Judge Others?

1. _____ (Romans 2:1-3)
2. _____ (Matthew 7:3-5)
3. _____ (John 7:24)
4. _____ (John 7:51)
5. _____ (Colossians 2:16-17)
6. _____ (James 4:11)

IV. How To Break The Habit Of Judging Others?

1. _____
"Do not judge others, so that God will not judge you, for God will judge you in the same way you judge others, and He will apply to you the same rules you apply to others." Matthew 7:1-2
2. _____
"Everyone of us, then, will have to give an account of himself to God. So then, let us stop judging one another." Romans 14:12-13
3. _____
".....mercy triumphs over judgment?" James 2:13

Parable Of The Unforgiving Servant
Matthew 18: 21-35

POINTS TO PONDER
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Week of July 20th to 26th

Open It:

1. How does a critical review of a movie or concert affect your decision about attending it?
2. On what basis do people often judge other people?
3. What does it take to judge disputes fairly?

Explore It:

4. How are we to speak to one another? ([4:11](#))
5. When we speak against a fellow believer, what attitude are we having toward God and His law? ([4:11-12](#))

Get It:

6. In what circumstances do you find yourself passing judgment on other people?
7. When have you judged another person and realized you were guilty of the same offense?
8. When was the last time you judged or criticized another persons actions? What happened?
9. What causes us to be critical or judgmental people?
10. How can we become more merciful and non-judgmental?

Apply It:

11. How can you begin this week to get into the habit of examining your own life before you start criticizing others?
12. How will you put aside judging others this coming week?

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