

“Judge Not Lest Ye Be Judged”

Do You REALLY Know What You Are Talking About?

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Where is This in the Bible?

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Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? **Thou hypocrite**, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.



Matt 7:1-5

WHO? Is Talking?

WHO? Is Being Addressed?

Is There Room for Practical/Spiritual Application?



So Then **Where** Does The Christian Look In The Bible For Instruction on This **Very Relevant Topic**?

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“Paul the Apostle”
Albrecht Durer, 1526
2Cor 10:10

Rom 15:16 That I should be **the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles**, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

1 Cor 9:17 ... **a dispensation of the gospel** is committed unto me.

Col 1:23, 25-27 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, *and* which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister...Whereof I am made a minister, **according to the dispensation of God** which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; *Even* the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of **this mystery among the Gentiles**; which is **Christ in you**, the hope of glory:

“...To the Jew First, and also to the Greek”

Rom 1:16

Gal 2:7-8 ...the gospel of the uncircumcision was committed unto me, as *the* gospel of the circumcision was unto Peter; (For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)



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The Irony of Abraham & Paul

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“As the LORD chose Abraham, a non-Jew, to be the father of the Jews, so God chose Paul, a non-Gentile to be the Apostle to the Gentiles.”

The Hoffman Study Bible, p.1668

“PAUL”

Is the first word of EVERY book in the Bible that is DOCTRINALLY directly addressed to US in the CHURCH

Romans, 1&2 Corinthians, Galatians,
Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians,
1&2 Thessalonians
1&2 Timothy, Titus, & Philemon

The Order of the Pauline Epistles is **SIGNIFICANT**

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2 Tim 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for **doctrine**, for **reproof**, for **correction**, for **instruction in righteousness**:

Category
Doctrine (teachings)
Reproof (wrt behaviour)
Correction (wrt teachings)
Instruction in Righteousness (general law & order)

The Church of Corinth was one of the weaker, carnal, churches of the bunch.

Appropriately, it is addressed with Reproof.

What did the Apostle Paul Tell this Church of 'spiritual Babies' about Judging?

What he writes will doctrinally apply DIRECTLY to us!

Judgment is not Forbidden; It is actually implied that we do it

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1 Cor 1:10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined together in **the same mind** and in **the same judgment**.

1 Cor 2:15 But he that is spiritual judgeth **all things**, yet he himself is judged of no man.

KNOWING THE MIND OF GOD HELPS YOU MAKE SOUND JUDGMENTS

Jn 7:24 Judge not according to the appearance, but **judge righteous judgment**.

“yet he himself is judged of no man.”

Paul Explains This in Ch 4

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1 Cor 4:1-5 Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be **judged of you, or of man's judgment**: yea, **I judge not mine own self**. For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but **he that judgeth me is the Lord**. Therefore **judge nothing before the time**, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

Was Paul a Jerk?

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What Kinda Attitude is this???

1 Cor 5:1-3 It is reported commonly *that there is* fornication among you, and such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife. And ye are puffed up, and have not rather mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be taken away from among you. **For I** verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, **have judged already**, as though I were present, *concerning* him that hath so done this deed,

1 Cor 5:12-13 For what have I to do **to judge them also that are without?** do not **ye judge them that are within?** But **them that are without God judgeth.** Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.

1 Pet 4:17 For the time *is come* that **judgment must begin at the house of God**: and if *it* first *begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?

The Spiritually-Minded Do Not Need Judge Judy!

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1 Cor 6:1-8 Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints? Do ye not know that **the saints shall judge the world**? and if the world **shall be judged by you**, are ye unworthy **to judge the smallest matters**? Know ye not that **we shall judge angels**? how much more things that pertain to this life? If then ye have **judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church**. I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able **to judge between his brethren**? But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers. Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? **why do ye not rather suffer yourselves to be defrauded?** Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that *your* brethren.

Paul Even Judged on Matters Of Personal Opinion!

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1 Cor 7:25 Now concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give **my judgment**, as one that hath obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful.

1 Cor 7:40 But she [*a widow*] is happier if she so abide, after **my judgment**: and I think also that I have the Spirit of God.

**Are You Still Thinking
it's Wrong To Judge?**

Two Other Factors Play into Biblical Judgment

WISDOM

1 Cor 10:15 I speak as to **wise** men; **judge** ye what I say.
WISE People Make WISE Judgments

2 Tim 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known **the holy scriptures,**
which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

CONSCIENCE

1 Cor 10:29 **Conscience**, I say, not thine own, but of the other: for
why is my liberty **judged** of another *man's* conscience?

YOU are accountable to YOUR conscience.

It is always dangerous to go against the judgment of
YOUR CONSCIENCE

God Wants Us to Weigh the Evidence & Base Our Judgments Upon It

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1 Cor 11:13 Judge in yourselves:

is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?

IF YOU HAVE THE MIND OF GOD, YOU WILL CONVERGE ON JUDGMENT

1 Cor 11:31-32 For if we would **judge ourselves**, we should **not be judged**. But when **we are judged**, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

**THE ONE PERSON YOU HAVE ALL OF THE EVIDENCE TO JUDGE IS YOURSELF:
PROVIDED YOU HAVE TO GUTS TO BE HONEST WITH YOURSELF!**

Prophecy Enables Judgment & Consider Prophecy in ANY Age...

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1 Cor 14:24 But if all prophesy, and there come in one that believeth not, or one unlearned, he is convinced of all,
he is judged of all:

1 Cor 14:29 Let the prophets speak two or three,
and let the other judge.

Deut 18:21-22 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that *is* the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, *but* the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

Spiritual Discernment Is Based Judgments

1 John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit,
but **try the spirits** whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

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2Corinthians has only TWO Mentions

2 Cor 5:10 For we must all appear before **the judgment seat of Christ**; that every one may receive the things *done* in *his* body, according to that he hath done, whether *it be* good or bad.

2 Cor 5:14 For the love of Christ constraineth us; because **we thus judge**, that if one died for all, then were all dead:

It Should be clear now that God not only allows us to judge, but that HE also EXPECTS us to do it.

Why do you think that the World is SO against God's People Having Godly Judgments & Opinions?

How is any of this
Practical?

How Can this Build My Faith?