

Judging Others

(Matthew 7:1, 2) "Stop judging that you may not be judged; ² for with the judgment you are judging, you will be judged, and with the measure that you are measuring out, they will measure out to you.

(Luke 6:37) "Moreover, stop judging, and you will by no means be judged; and stop condemning, and you will by no means be condemned. Keep on forgiving, and you will be forgiven.

(John 3:18) Whoever exercises faith in him is not to be judged. Whoever does not exercise faith has been judged already, because he has not exercised faith in the name of the only-begotten Son of God.

(John 5:22) For the Father judges no one at all, but he has entrusted all the judging to the Son,

(John 5:27) And he has given him authority to do judging, because he is the Son of man.

(James 4:11, 12) Stop speaking against one another, brothers. Whoever speaks against a brother or judges his brother speaks against law and judges law. Now if you judge law, you are not a doer of law but a judge. ¹² There is only one who is Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and to destroy. But you, who are you to be judging your neighbor?

(James 5:9) Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you do not get judged. Look! The Judge is standing before the doors.

Those verses are not about judging inappropriately, or about making any sort of false accusations.

Those verses are about the mere act of judging. Period.

Christ is telling us not to judge others in any way, shape, or form.

If your response is to quote Paul, well I view what he wrote with a very critical eye. Though he was used to spread the good news to the nations, he was also "*given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan*" to try and bridle that ego of his "*so that (he) might not be overly exalted.*" (2Co 12:7) But he was still somewhat "*exalted*" (arrogant) and put forth many of his own personal opinions as directives to be followed, just like the GB of today.(see my article "All Scripture is inspired of God")

Do you ask about those who are clearly and without a doubt sinning?

(John 12:47) But if anyone hears my sayings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I came, not to judge the world, but to save the world.

If Christ does not judge anyone who "*hears*" (listens/believes) his sayings, even though they do not "*keep them*" (obey/observe), who are we to judge such ones?

(Luke 17:4) Even if he sins seven times a day against you and he comes back to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you **must** forgive him."

(Romans 2:1) Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are, if you judge; for when you judge another, you condemn yourself, because you who judge practice the same things.

(Romans 14:1) Welcome the man having weaknesses in his faith, but do not pass judgment on differing opinions.

(Romans 14:4) Who are you to judge the servant of another? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for Jehovah can make him stand.

(Romans 14:10) But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you also look down on your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God.

(Romans 14:13) Therefore, let us not judge one another any longer but, rather, be determined not to put a stumbling block or an obstacle before a brother.

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