



JESUS

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PART 41: JESUS ON JUDGING

Sermon on the Mount: **PART 8**

Matthew 7:1-6

A. Do not be **JUDGMENTAL** or **OVERCRITICAL**. (7:1-2)

Why?

1. Because you will be **JUDGED** yourself.
2. Because you will be judged in the same way that you judge **OTHERS**.
3. Because you are not **GOD**.
4. Because an overcritical spirit is the opposite of **LOVE**.

B. Examine **YOURSELF** First. (7:3-5)

C. Judge Using Right **DISCERNMENT**. (7:6)

HOMework



Open Your Group in Prayer. Use the Prayer Guide on the next page for Suggestions.

1. Can you think of anything you were absolutely convinced was the right way to do something and then later found out others preferred the complete opposite? How did you respond?

Read Matthew 7:1-6.

2. Greg Laurie calls this “The Unbeliever’s Favorite Verse”. Why do you think that is?
3. When is it right to judge and evaluate others?
4. What is the line between being overcritical and using right biblical discernment?

Read Numbers 12:1-16

5. What is the context of this passage? Where are God’s people? Why? How did they get there?
6. For what reasons were Miriam and Aaron critical of their brother, Moses?
7. How did God view their criticism? How did he deal with it?
8. How do you think God views your critical spirit? Does reading this account cause any fear in you as to how he might choose to deal with your criticism?
9. What are the consequences of being an overcritical person? In other words, how is a person’s life affected when they are being judgmental and overcritical?
10. **Read v. 11.** What does Aaron say about their critical spirits? What does he call it?
11. How can someone who is overcritical and judgmental battle this sin? What would help them?
12. Pastor Josh said that the key to overcoming a critical and judgmental attitude is to replace it with one of love. **Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7.** How does this description of love differ from having a judgmental attitude?
13. Spend some time praying that God would help you put off a critical spirit and put on love. Pray that he would help you love Jesus and truly love others.

