



Sermon Guide: To Judge, or Not to Judge (4/29/2023)

Join us **tomorrow, Sunday (4/30/2023), at 7 PM** on Zoom for Sermon Essentials to dive deeper into today's message. You can use the link <https://zoom.us/j/285038684> or call 312.626.6799 and enter the ID 285 038 684 to be a part of the discussion.

Read *Thoughts from the Mount of Blessings*, chapter 6, "Judge Not, that Ye Be Not Judged," for a deeper understanding of today's message.

Text: Matthew 7:1 "Judge not, that you be not judged."

Defining "Judge"

1. What are some of the meanings of the Hebrew "shaphat"?

2. What are some of the meanings of the Greek "krino"?

Reference verses: Matthew 7:1-2; Romans 2:1-4

3. When reading some portions of the Bible, there are clear discussions about the dangers of judging. How should these warnings regarding judging be understood?

When Judging Is Necessary

Reference verses: Matthew 18:15-17; Romans 14:10-13

4. What needs to be remembered when judging becomes necessary?

"It is a sad fact that too many of the so-called reformers of the present day seem to think that gospel work consists largely in the denunciation of evil practices. A detective is not a minister of the gospel." E.J. Waggoner, *Waggoner on Romans*, 45



When It Is Not

Reference verses: Matthew 7:6; 1 Corinthians 5:12-13

5. Are there times when we shouldn't seek to judge? Explain.

Judging God's Way

Reference verses: Judges 2:16-19; 21:25

6. Why did Israel have so many struggles, and what did God do in attempting to solve the problem?

Reference verses: 1 Corinthians 6:1-6; James 5:19-20

7. Who has God allowed to have judgment authority today, and what is the purpose in being able to judge the saints?

Wrapping It All Up

8. What are five questions that should be asked when judgment is necessary?

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