

MESSAGE REVIEW

Jesus has just finished teaching His disciples how to love their enemies by offeringmmercy and grace to people who treat them badly. And now, He moves on to another difficult teaching about not judging others. But does that mean we should never judge? By following Jesus, we learn the delicate balance of when to be silent and when to speak up. We learn how to judge rightly from a heart of love, compassion, and grace.

WARM UP QUESTION

Have you ever had to serve on a jury or sit through a court case? Describe your experience.

Read Luke 6:37-38. Jesus gives four commands in these two verses. What reason does He give for why we should obey them? If Jesus knows we will need to make judgments (see John 7:24), what do you think is the heart behind His commands?

What kind of giving is Jesus talking about in v. 38? Is there anyone in your life you have been stingy to offer forgiveness to? What are some tangible steps God might be asking you to take to express a spirit of generosity to someone this week?

Read Luke 6:39-40. What does this teaching have to do with not judging? Who do you follow that may be, even unknowingly, leading you astray? What step(s) can you take to instead be taught by Jesus and become more like Him?

Read Luke 6:41-42. What is the relationship between the two people in this story? Why is this significant? Does Jesus tell the person with the plank not to remove the speck from his friend's eye? What does removing his own plank first do for him?

Is God laying anyone on your heart? Someone you need to have a difficult conversation with or ask forgiveness of? Spend some time praying for each other as a group – for the ability to know who, when, why, and how we should judge and when we need to stay silent. Pray for hearts that overflow with the grace and love Jesus shows us.

RESPOND

What have you learned about God from His Word? How is He asking you to apply it to your life? When will you apply it?

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