

Selected Scriptures
July 30, 2025

Theme: "Because God alone is a righteous judge, we must forsake a **judgmental** spirit and pursue gospel humility."

A. The Biblical Framework to Make a Judgment

To Judge — 'to form an opinion or conclusion about someone or something'

Krinō (Gk) - 'to separate, decide, evaluate, condemn or discern'



- A. The Biblical Framework to Make a Judgment
 - ✓ Does the Bible Affirm This
 - ✓ Does the Bible Forbid This
 - ✓ Is this an issue of Christian Liberty / Conscience

- A. The Biblical Framework to Make a Judgment
- B. The Anatomy of Unrighteous Judgment
 - 1. What It Is

"Judgementalism, is the habit or attitude of quickly and harshly criticizing, condemning or evaluating others, often without full understanding, mercy or humility."

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- B. The Anatomy of Unrighteous Judgment
 - 1. What It Is
 - 2. How Does it Manifest Itself
 - a. Quickly Condemning or Criticizing Others (James 1:19-20; 4:11; Prov. 15:1)
 - b. Elevates Self while Demeaning Others (Luke 18:9-12)
 - c. Ignores One's Own Sin and Hypocrisy (Matt. 7:3-5; 23:27-28)
 - d. Spreads Gossip and Slander (Prov. 16:28)
 - e. Creates Division and Conflict (Rom. 14:13)
 - f. Based on External Appearances (John 7:24)

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- C. The Anatomy of Righteous Judgment
 - 1. When is it Right to Judge
 - a. To Maintain Purity in the Church (Matt 18:15-17; 1 Cor. 5:12-13)
 - b. To Expose False Teachers and Doctrines (Rom. 16:17; Titus 1:9)
 - c. To Resolve Disputes (1 Cor. 6:1-5)
 - d. To Discern Right from Wrong (Heb. 5:14; Eph. 5:11)
 - e. To Evangelize (Matt. 28:19-20; 2 Cor. 10:5; 1 Peter 3:15)

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 - 1. When is it Right to Judge
 - 2. When is it Not Right to Judge
 - a. Issue of Conscience (Rom. 14; 1 Cor. 8-10)
 - b. Motives of the Heart (1 Sam. 16:7; 1 Cor. 4:5)
 - c. Those who are NOT under our authority (Rom. 14:4; 1 Cor. 5:12-13)

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 - 1. When is it Right to Judge
 - 2. When is it Not Right to Judge
 - 3. How Do We Judge
 - a. Not Based on Appearances (John 7:24)
 - b. According to God's Word (James 4:12; John 17:17)
 - c. With Humility, Mercy and Gentleness (Matt. 7:1-5; Gal. 6:1; James 2:13)
 - d. Remembering that God is the Ultimate Judge (Matt 7:1-5; Rom. 14:10; Jam 4:12)

Small Group Discussion

- 1. How does judgmentalism subtly show up in your thoughts, speech, or attitudes toward others in the church, at work, or on social media?
- 2. How does the gospel confront and dismantle a judgmental heart?
- 3. How can we as followers of Christ cultivate a culture of grace and truth—where sin is not ignored, but people are not condemned either?

Personal Reflection - Who is someone you've been tempted to judge recently? What would it look like to show them grace and pursue understanding instead?