



Week 9: Our Judgments

We love to rate and review products, but when we do that with people, it's a problem. Jesus doesn't tell us to ignore sin—He tells us to stop condemning people. Before pointing out someone else's flaws, He calls us to deal with our own. Judgment creates distance, but grace restores. Jesus didn't review us; He redeemed us—and now we extend that same mercy to others.

Discussion Questions:

1. **Read Matthew 7:1-6.** Why do you think we so easily slip into “rating and reviewing” people.
2. Jesus calls us to discern sin without condemning people. What's the difference between the two?
3. What does it look like to “remove the plank from your own eye” before trying to help someone else with theirs?
4. How have you seen judgment create distance in a relationship? How have you seen grace restore one?
5. Jesus didn't review us—He redeemed us. How does remembering the grace you've received shape the way you respond to others' flaws or failures?
6. Jesus says not to “throw pearls before pigs” in vs. 6. How can you tell the difference between someone who is receptive to truth and someone who is not. Have you ever tried to help someone who didn't want it? What did you learn from that experience? How should this verse and principle shape where you invest your time and energy?”
7. Is there someone in your life you've been judging instead of extending grace to? What's one step you can take this week to move toward restoration?