



Sermon Discussion Guide

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Use this discussion guide with your small group or by yourself, to dig into the text and theme of Sunday's message.

Key Point: Jesus invites us to make wise judgments.

1. If you hosted a big dinner party, what would you make for your guests to eat?
2. Describe a time you were in a courtroom. How did it feel, look, and sound?

Transition / Open in prayer

3. What behaviors are you most judgmental about?

Life Examination:

READ Matthew 7:1-6

4. What is the reason Jesus says we should avoid judgmental attitudes?

5. What kind of judgment is Jesus against? What kind of judgment does he approve of?
6. How does removing the plank in your eye help you avoid hypocritical behavior and attitudes?
7. What does the illustration of vs. 6 mean?

READ Luke 7:36-50

8. What social norms did this woman break?
9. What is the lesson Jesus wants Simon to learn from his short story?
10. How does Jesus "judge" Simon? How does he "judge" the woman?
11. The woman didn't ask Jesus to forgive her. Why is that what Jesus does?

Life Application:

12. What impacts your level of judgementalism? When are the most condemning, finding other's flaws easily?
13. How can you determine when someone is open to hearing your correction? In what way is correction different from condemnation?
14. How can someone train themselves to be less judgmental? How can they train themselves to make wise judgments?
15. Pause your group's conversation and ask everyone to take 2 minutes in silence to create a mental list of their sin. After 2 minutes ask: How does perfect and complete forgiveness for our sin create greater love in our hearts?

Life Prayers: Pray for one another and ask God to give you eyes to see with compassion, grace, and truth.