

THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO!



IT MIGHT NOT BE WHAT YOU THINK

Matthew 7:1-6

- What is something that stuck out to you from last Sunday's teaching?
- Circle Time: Share about a time that you felt unfairly judged?
 - What was it that made you feel judged?
 - How did it affect your relationship with the person that you thought was being judgmental towards you?
 - Do you feel you handled the situation well or not?
 - List the defining characteristics that make a person or a statement "judgmental".
- Read Matthew 7:1-6
 - How have you seen this scripture misapplied?
 - What do you think is the affect on people when they misunderstand what Jesus is trying to say?
 - What do you think Jesus is teaching his audience in this passage?
 - When is it okay to judge people? When is it not okay to judge people?
- What are the plank and the speck symbols of in this scripture?
 - Compare and contrast a plank vs. a speck of sawdust.
 - What do you think is the motivation of the person with the plank in their eye in pointing out the speck in someone else's?
 - Share a real life example of something like this happening.
- What are steps that you take to remove a plank from your eye in real life?
 - What are the steps that you take to help someone remove their speck?
 - Why do you think that it is so important to remove the plank out of your eye first?
 - What are plank sized sins? What are speck sized sins? Is there a difference?
- Did Pastor Dave's teaching on this scripture change how you understand it at all?
 - If so, how does your new understanding impact your life?
- Pray with and for each other.