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La Jolla Christian Fellowship
The Sermon On The Mount: Ep. 6 Gettin' "Judgy" With It.
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Matthew 7:1-6 Judging Others

"Do not judge, or you too will be judged. ² For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. ³ "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴ How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? ⁵ You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye. ⁶ "Do not give dogs what is **sacred**; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

Purveyors of Grace and Mercy

The free and unmerited favour of God, as manifested in the salvation of sinners and the bestowal of blessings.

Jesus' revolutionary governance is meant to conquer the world of sin and it starts with yours.

IMAGINE

As of the year 2015, **Christianity** has more than 2.4 billion adherents, out of about 7.5 people. The faith represents one-third of the **world's** population and is the largest religion in the **world**, with the three largest groups of **Christians** being the Catholic Church, Protestantism, and the Eastern Orthodox Church.

Do not judge...

1. There is no need for judgement since you can add nothing to God's already stated judgements.
2. You can't judge properly without access to the motives of others' hearts.
3. God's economy disallows judgement without personal perfection.

Judgement of others leads to personal mortification.

- **Vs. 1-2** *“Do not judge, or you too will be judged. Or in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.*

Grace leads to **FREEDOM!**

- **Romans 8:1** *Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.*

How do we share with others about God’s judgements and mercy?

- **Vs. 6** Is the filter for whom you will share the judgements of God with.
- **When you deal with God’s judgements, you are dealing with the sacred.**
 - **Vs. 6** *“Do not give dogs what is **sacred**; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.*

Wisdom and grace are the bridges that God’s judgements travel upon.

Questions For The Journey

1. Have you experienced the results of having an over critical spirit? Explain.
2. Pastor Adam gives 3 reasons why we are not in the position to judge others. Which of the three is most intriguing to you and why?
3. How would giving more grace to others free you?
4. Why does Jesus tell you not to cast your pearls before swine?
5. Do you treat God’s judgements as sacred or as a weapon to wield for your own pride of heart?