

## Judgment or Love? - How we see Others! ...Matthew 7:1-5

*“In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent His only Son into the world, so that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.” ...1John 4:9-11 (ESV)*

### 1. Being Critical and Judgmental... *What we need to be told!*

Scripture: Matthew 7:1-2

### 2. Our Blindness... *Lack of Self-Awareness*

Scripture: Matthew 7:3-4

- *In what areas do you tend to be critical of others? (...an exercise in Self-Awareness)*
  - 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.

### 3. Examining Ourselves - *Equipped to Change*

Scripture: Matthew 7:5, James 1:19-25

- You've been Transformed... Romans 12:1-2
- You've been Equipped... 1John 2:5-6

### 4. A Godly Standard - *A Christian's Responsibility*

Scripture: Matthew 7:5

- Living like the Lord Jesus... 1John 3:16-18
- Loving like the Lord Jesus... 1John 4:7-11

## Group Discussion

1. What stood out to you in tonight's message and scripture passages? ...*be descriptive!*
2. READ Matthew 7:3-5 together... What do you learn from this scripture?
  - What effect do you think it would have in your relationships if you were to live this way?
3. READ 1John 3:16-18 and 1John 4:7-11 together... What do you learn from these scriptures?
  - How can this look in your daily life?... *Talk about it.*
  - What effect do you think it would have in your relationships if you were to live this way?
4. Is there anything from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? In what way(s) does it affect your life?  
**How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?**

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Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

*(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)*

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How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

*Discuss your answer with your group...*

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)