JUDGE NOT

Luke 6:37–42

Key Verse:

1. Review who Jesus was addressing (20a). What was the main point of his blessings and woes (20b–26)? Of his teachings on dealing with “enemies” (27–34)? What happens to those who do what he says (35–36)? Why was Jesus teaching these things?

1. What commands and promises does Jesus give next (37–38a)? What does it mean to “judge” and “condemn,” and why do religious people especially tend to do this? Why are we not qualified to judge (Jas4:12)?
2. Why are “forgiving” and “giving” so much better than judging and condemning? What does Jesus describe, and what does he want us to learn here (38b)?
3. What parable does Jesus tell (39), and how is it related to what he just taught (37a)? Why is it important to follow the right teacher (40)? What does Jesus mean by “fully trained”?
4. What humorous imagery does Jesus use to help us not to judge (41–42)? Why is it so important to first deal with our own problems before we try to help others?