**“Don’t Judge Me”**

We live in a sinful world. Where folk believe that you shouldn’t judge them for their sins. Because of their misunderstanding of the word of God. We will correct that misunderstanding today. With correct teaching from the Holy scriptures. Which is able to make one wise. Let’s Get Into The Word!

**Scripture Reading:** **Romans 3:23 (NKJV) says this,** “23 **for all have sinned** and fall short of the glory of God”.

**Call To Praise & Worship: Psalm 100:1-5 says this,** 1 “Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands! 2 Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing. 3 Know that the Lord, He is God; it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people and the sheep of His pasture. 4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. 5 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting, and His truth endures to all generations.

**Matthew 7:1-5 (NKJV) says this,** **“1 Judge not, that you be not judged. 2 For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you.** 3 And why do you look at the speck in your brother’s eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? 4 Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me remove the speck from your eye’; and look, a plank is in your own eye? **5 Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.**

The Greek word used for judgment is krino, which can mean both **“to discern” and “to condemn.”.** With this understanding in mine. It is okay to judge and conclude. If someone is wrong or right according to the word of God. This is called righteous judgement. However, we are not to condemn that person by the word of God. This is called unrighteous judgement. What makes it unrighteous judgement you might ask?

This answer if found in **John 3:16-18 (NKJV) which says this,** “16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into **the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.** 18 **“He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already,** because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

These scriptures we just read about condemnation. Reveal to us who and where condemnation comes from. It does not emanate or come from the Lord. It does not emanate or come from us. It emanates and comes from the person. Who chooses not to receive and believe in the Lord. Therefore, we can’t condemn anyone through judgement. They will do that themselves by the choices they make concerning the Lord. Amen!

**Galatians 6:1-3 (NLT) says this,** “1 Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is **overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path.** And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself. **2 Share each other’s burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ.** 3 If you think you are too important to help someone, you are only fooling yourself. You are not that important.

When we judge someone by the word of God. And that the person is found to be wrong. We are not to condemn that person. Because they have been found guilty by the word of God. We are supposed to restore that person with gentleness and humility. That they may recover themselves out of sin back into righteousness. Amen!

**1 Corinthians 11:31-32 (NKJV) says this, “**31 For if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged. 32 But when we are judged, we are chastened by the Lord, that we may not be condemned with the world.

When you and I share and declare the Gospel (Good News) with someone. It should be with the mindset and hope. That the person judges themselves wrong before the Lord. After all the Lord’s judgement is all about restoration and or correcting us and not condemnation. However, if that person through pride and arrogance. Chooses not to accept the Gospel (Good News). Then they have condemned themselves through their own bad judgement. Therefore, tell any all if you judge yourself, you will not have to be judged. Either way judgement will be passed. Amen!

I Love You, Be Blessed!

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