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"In the privacy of your own mind, do you believe you're a better person than everyone else? Well, that's pretty much what the rest of us think, too." ~Huffington Post



- 1) In what contexts have you heard Jesus' words, 'Don't Judge?' Are you judgmental?
- 2) Read Matthew 7:1-6. What does Jesus mean by don't judge? How is that different from our culture's idea of tolerance?
- 3) Why should we not judge? (vv. 1-2; see also James 4:11-12) How do you know whether you are the person with a speck or a log in your eye? What kind of people do you know well enough to see the speck in their eye?
- 4) What do you hear Jesus saying in verse 6? Who is he addressing? What should we expect to happen when we talk about Jesus and His kingdom out in the world?
- 5) What does vs. 6 teach us about our ability to take criticism? How should this verse help us become less judgmental? What's it teach us about the gospel?
- 6) What kind of people do you find easier to judge and distance yourself from? Who would make you uncomfortable if they were to come to church?

Take time to pray for one another and that God would make us merciful as He is merciful.