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Matthew 7:1-2

"**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.

- 1. "Judge" = drawing the conclusion on a person's eternal destiny John 12:48; Acts 17:30-31; 2 Timothy 4:1**
- 2. It's premature 1 Corinthians 4:5**
- 3. It's presumptive James 4:11-12**
- 4. It's powerful Luke 6:37-38**

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Matthew 7:3-5

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."

1. Ours is simply a different "speck"!

Psalm 25:18; 32:5; 51:2-3; Job 13:23;

1 Corinthians 4:4

2. "But Now" **John 9:41; 15:22, 24**

3. Watch what "we say" **1 John 1:8; 3:5**

2. CONTRAST

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Matthew 7:6

"Do not give **what is holy to the dogs**; nor cast your **pearls before swine**, lest they **trample them** under their feet, **and turn and tear** you in pieces."

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2. No doubt, parallels can be drawn: "As a ring of gold in a swine's snout, So is a lovely woman who lacks discretion." Proverbs 11:22

3. Teaching the unteachable

Proverbs 26:4-5, 11

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Matthew 7:7-11

7 Ask, and it will be given to you; **seek**, and you will find; **knock**, and it will be opened to you. **8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.** **9** Or what man is there among you who, if his son **asks for bread**, will give him a stone? **10** Or if he **asks for a fish**, will he give him a serpent? **11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!**

1. Who "Receives"? "Receives" What?

2. Isn't the Heavenly Father above the earthly father?

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Matthew 7:12

12 Therefore, **whatever you want** men to do to you, **do also to them**, for **this is the Law and the Prophets.**

1. God's Example 1 John 4:19

2. This is a "royal law:" James 2:8-10

3. Treat others like you want to be treated, NOT like you think you OUGHT to be treated!

4. Applied to Jobs Colossians 3:22-25

5. Applied to Others Romans 12:17-21