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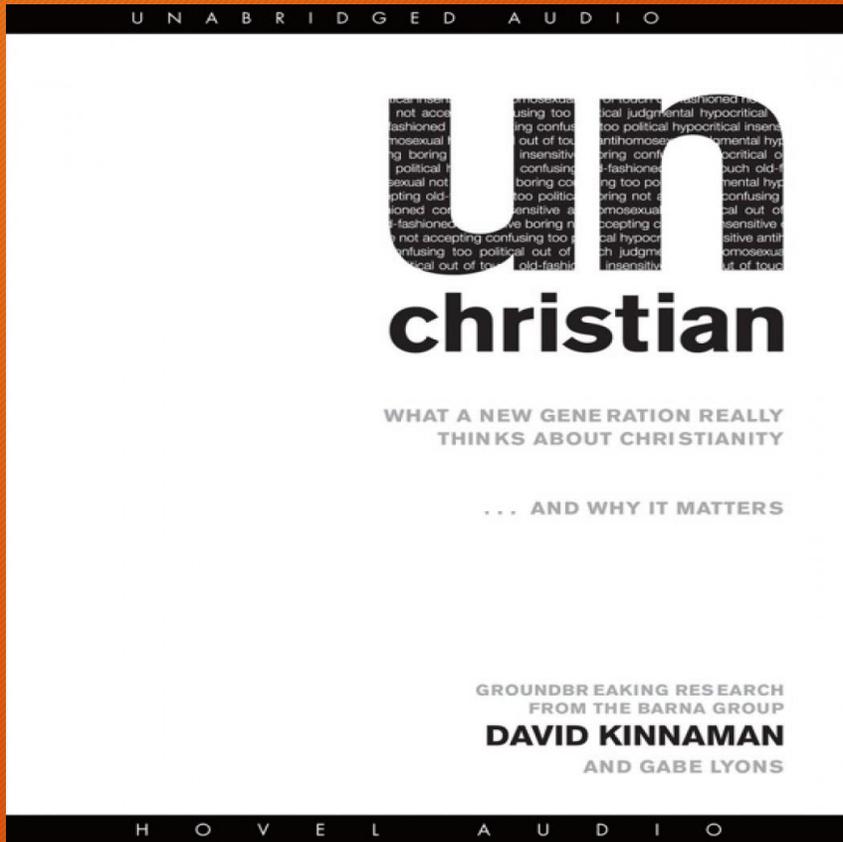


Matt 7.1-5

Judge not, that ye not be
judged

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Judge Not . . . Really



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Christianity has an image
problem

Christianity has a real problem

Judge Not . . . Really



Slow to Judge

7 “Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ² For with the judgment you judge you will be judged, and the measure you measure will be the measure you get. ³ Why do you see the speck in your brothers’s eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴ Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ while the log is in your own eye? ⁵ You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor’s eye.

Slow to Judge

So what did Jesus mean, “Do not judge”?

. . . Don't form an opinion?

. . . Don't express an opinion?



Slow to Judge



Jesus certainly judged others.

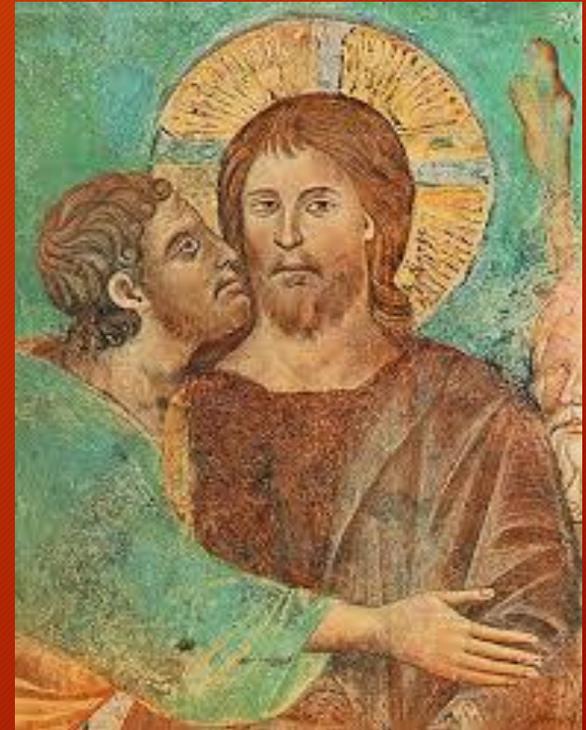
Calling Pharisees and other opponents hypocrites, sons of hell, blind guides and white-washed sepluchres.

Slow to Judge

Jesus the sage . . .

Wisdom formula

1. Admonition
2. Rationale
3. Illustration
4. Restatement and explanation of initial admonition



Slow to Judge

Admonition: Be careful how you judge

Rationale: You will be judged by the same standard

Illustration: The speck in your brother's eye/the plank in your own

Restatement: Remove the plank in your own eye first/ then you can help your brother

Slow to Judge

The Church needs correction from time to time. It ought to be a self-correcting body.

How?

- Harsh tones
- Judgmental
- Holier than thou

No . . . humility

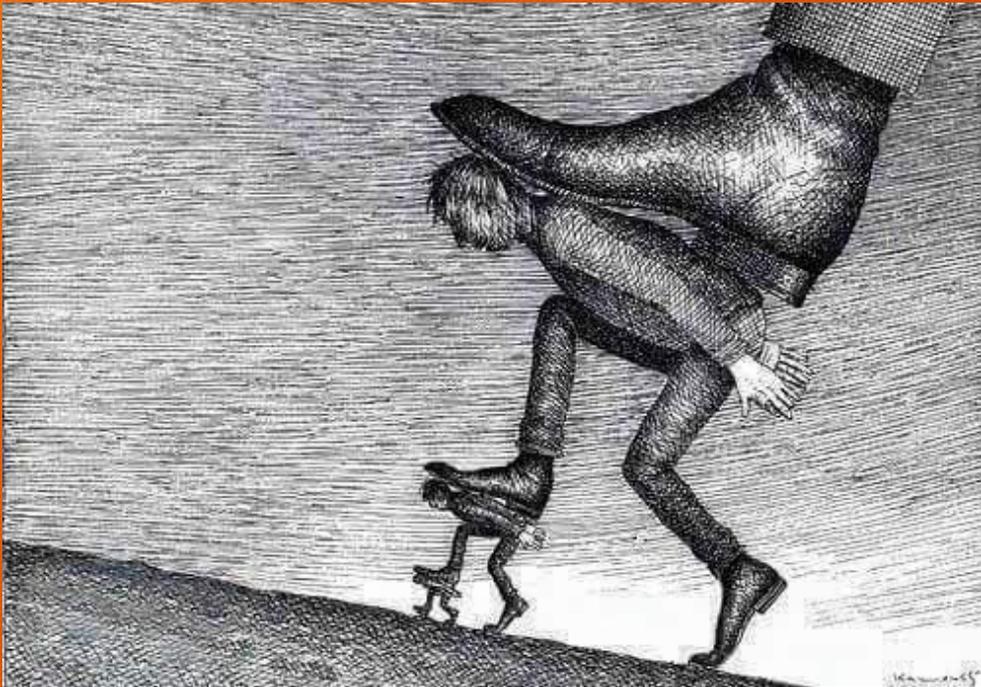


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Galatians 6:1-3

6 My brothers and sisters, if one *of our faithful* has fallen into a trap and is snared by sin, you who are spiritual gently restore him, being careful not to step into your own snare. ² Shoulder each other's burdens, and then you will fill full the law of the Anointed One. ³ Don't imagine you are better than those who slip, because you aren't; then you deceive yourself.

Slow to Judge



The Church

To correct means to shoulder the burdens.

It's not enough to point out how a person has done wrong and say "fix it, and remember we will be watching."

Slow to Judge

What does this look
like in the Church?

Points for
home/church



Thank you

Questions?

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