

The Danger of Judging Others

Romans 2:1-6

I want us to look at what Jesus attacked more often, more severely, more directly than any other sin. It wasn't adultery, it wasn't taking drugs, it wasn't mindlessly binge-watching TV.

- This sin has been and continues to be a major problem in our world and in the church.

Hebrews 9:27

- I. The very dangerous practice of _____ others.
A. The word judge literally means to _____. (to look down on)
- II. _____ - _____ people like to judge.
- III. How can you tell if you are a self-righteous person?
A. You are constantly mentally looking down on others, _____ others all the while _____ yourself.

Luke 18:9-14

How do we excuse our sin?

1. We don't call our sin, sin, we call it something _____, don't we!
 2. We tend to conveniently _____ our own sin.
- B. _____ other people by a different standard than ourselves
- How can you tell if you are a self-righteous person?**
- C. You think that judging others puts us in a _____ position [with God].

Revelation 3:19

- D. We misinterpret God's _____ in our lives.
This is the fourth characteristic of a self-righteous person.

A self-righteous person shows contempt

Found only twice in the New Testament (Rom. 2:4; 3:25), the Greek noun "*anochē*" an-okh-ay' meant "longsuffering" or "forbearance."

Romans 3:25

**Scripture teaches that God blesses our life in spite of us.
He does so to show His grace.**

Philippians 3:7-14

A spiritually self-righteous person misinterprets God's goodness

- IV. The results of being judgmental.
A. Result of unrepentant self-righteousness is God's _____.

Being judgmental is playing God, plain and simple (PERIOD)
Revelation 5:8-9

**You and I are never to play junior Holy-Spirit
That is playing God**