

## Bible Study 10 – The nature of sin – Matthew 7:1-5

*A blogger wrote: How much time do we spend judging others? I judge others' clothing. I judge others' actions. I judge others' words. When someone cuts me off in traffic, I mumble an expletive. Someone comes to work wearing something from a few decades back? I think, "She needs a makeover!" A friend spends time with a no-good ex? I think, "That's really pathetic." Besides this we judge politicians, peoples parenting skills, the unemployed, street people, and family, relatives, friends and neighbors.*

<b>The context</b>	After Jesus was baptised by John & tested by Satan, He preached urging people to “repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near” (Matthew 4:17). Because Jesus healed “every disease and sickness among the people”, large crowds followed Him. After Jesus chooses the 12 disciples, He preached the Sermon on the Mount to them, which is a code of behavior for all who acknowledge Jesus as King (Matthew 5-7).
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### **PART 1 Read and summarise each section – Matthew 7:1-5**

How God judges us (v.1-2; Luke 6:37)	
Wrong judgement (v.3-4)	
Right judgment (v.5)	

### **PART 2 Things I discovered in this passage**

**1. What I learnt about God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit.**

**2. What I learnt about people like us.**

**3. Summarise a key verse in your own words.**

**4. In your opinion, what are the most important biblical principles being taught?**

**5. Which other parts of the passage caught your attention?**

**6. How is king David an example of this passage (Psalm 51:1-4, 13)?**

**7. Which parts of the passage were difficult to understand? What questions come to your mind?**

Let's remember to judge ourselves before we think about judging others.



