RELATIONSHIP

Helping Others Gal 6:1-8

Purpose: Refute Juaizers

Author: Paul

Audience: Churches in Southern Galacia

Date written: Approximately 49AD

Setting: Greatest challenge was church

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- Galatians 6:1-8
- New International Version
- Doing Good to All
- 6 Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit(A) should restore(B) that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. ² Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. (C) 3 If anyone thinks they are something (D) when they are not, they deceive themselves. (E) 4 Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, (F) without comparing themselves to someone else, (G) for each one should carry their own load. (H) 6 Nevertheless, the one who receives instruction in the word should share all good things with their instructor. (1)

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- ⁷ Do not be deceived: (1) God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. (K) ⁸ Whoever sows to please their flesh, (L) from the flesh will reap destruction; (M) whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. (N)

Judging Believers vs. Judging Non Believers

I don't judge you...why do you judge me?

- 1 Corinthians 5:12-13
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When a Christian lovingly and graciously presents the gospel to unbelievers, a judgement is made regarding their standing with God. Rom3:23. This judgement is not made by the Christian, but God himself.





Christians have no authority to judge a non-Christian's behavior.

Our job is to expose not impose.

A sinner is going to sin.

For us to hate those who are in error, or talk of them with contempt or wish them ill, or do them wrong, is not according to the Spirit of Christ, You cannot cast out Satan by Satan, nor correct error by violence, nor overcome hate by hate. The conquering weapon of the Christian is love...

Charles Spurgeon

- Non Christians act more consistently with their value system.
- Your disapproval is destroying the relationship.
- Judgement is a terrible evangelism strategy.
- Judging outsiders is un-Christian. 1 Cor 5:12

- Start loving non-Christians.
- Empathize with non-Christians.
- Hang out with non-Christians.
- Pray for unchurched people.
- Live out your faith authentically.

Judging fellow Christians

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Even though we are free in Christ, we are not free to ignore people who say they are Christians and yet willfully sin.

Truth without love is brutality, and love without truth is hypocrisy.

Warren W. Wiersbe



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Dangers of not correcting sin.

Don't apply a double standard. Matt 7:1

- Matthew 7:1-5
- English Standard Version
- Judging Others
- 7 (A) "Judge not, that you be not judged. 2 (B) For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and (C) with the measure you use it will be measured to you. ³ Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but (D) do not notice the log that is in your own eye? 4 Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log 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 brother's eye.



Judge actions not motives. 1 Cor 4:5

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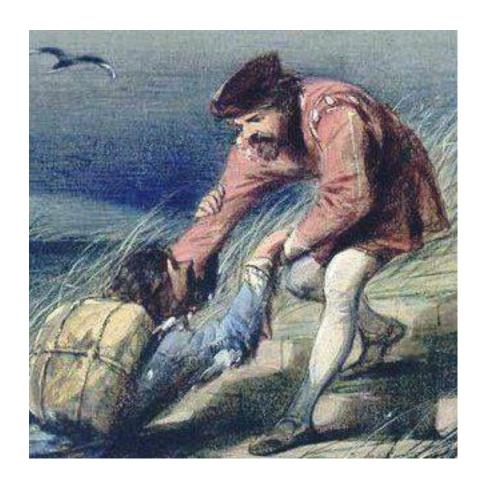
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- ⁵ Therefore judge nothing^(A) before the appointed time; wait until the Lord comes.^(B) He will bring to light^(C) what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of the heart. At that time each will receive their praise from God.^(D)

Confine judgements to matters that aren't disputable. Rom 14

- Romans 14:1
- New International Version
- The Weak and the Strong
- **14** Accept the one whose faith is weak, (A) without quarreling over disputable matters.

Seek to restore.

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- 2. Don't apply a double standard.
- 3. Judge actions not motives.
- 4. Confine judgements to matters that are not disputable.
- 5. Seek to restore.

Do you know someone who claims to be a Christian and continues to willfully sin and to justify it?

Carry each other's burdens



He ain't heavy, he's my brother....



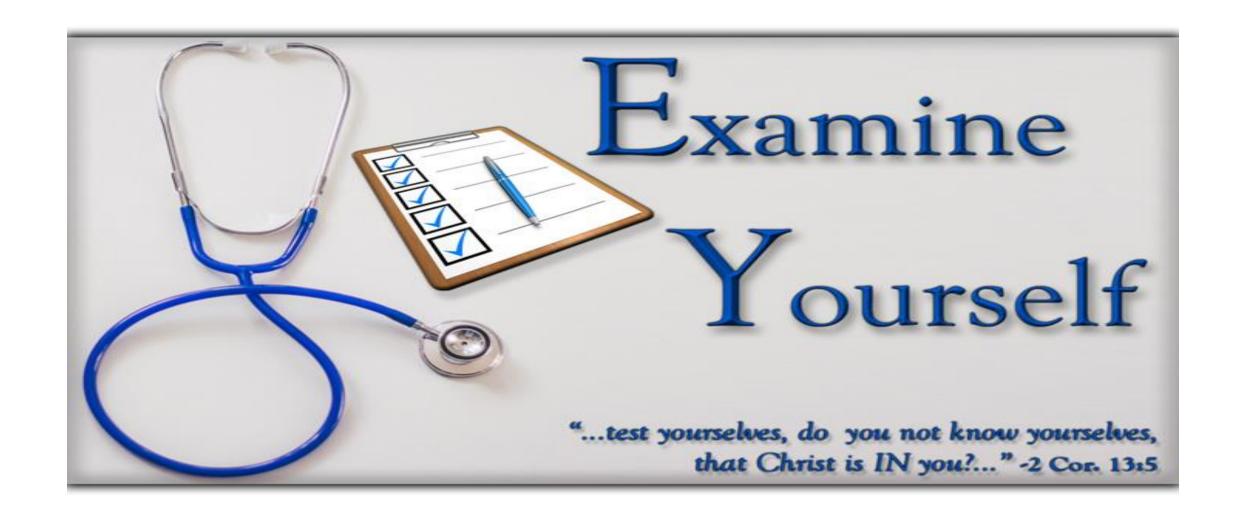
A heart filled with the gladness of love for one another.

God doesn't ask believers to qualify how someone got their burdens.

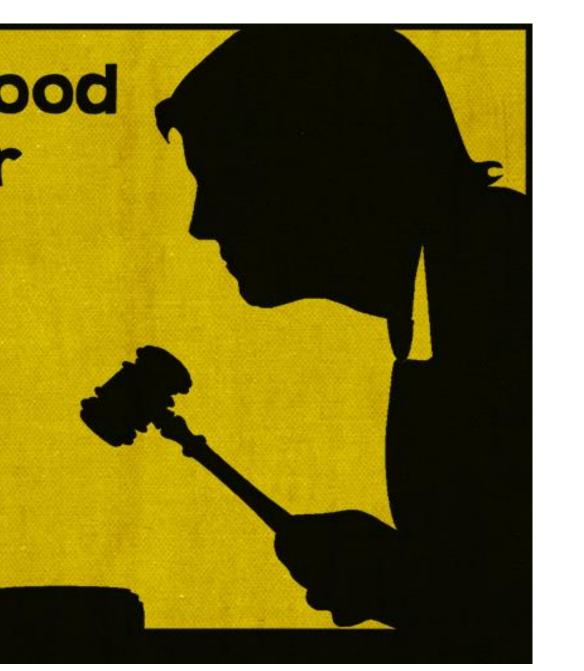


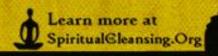


Do you know someone who needs a helping hand?



We are very good lawyers for our own mistakes, but very good judges for the mistakes of others.





Examine your relationship with God Examine your relationship with others Examine your relationship with the church



Do you compare yourself to others or to Christ?

Supporting your church



Cheerful giver vs. Reluctant giver

Do you give to the church cheerfully as one making a wise investment?

He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.

Jim Elliot



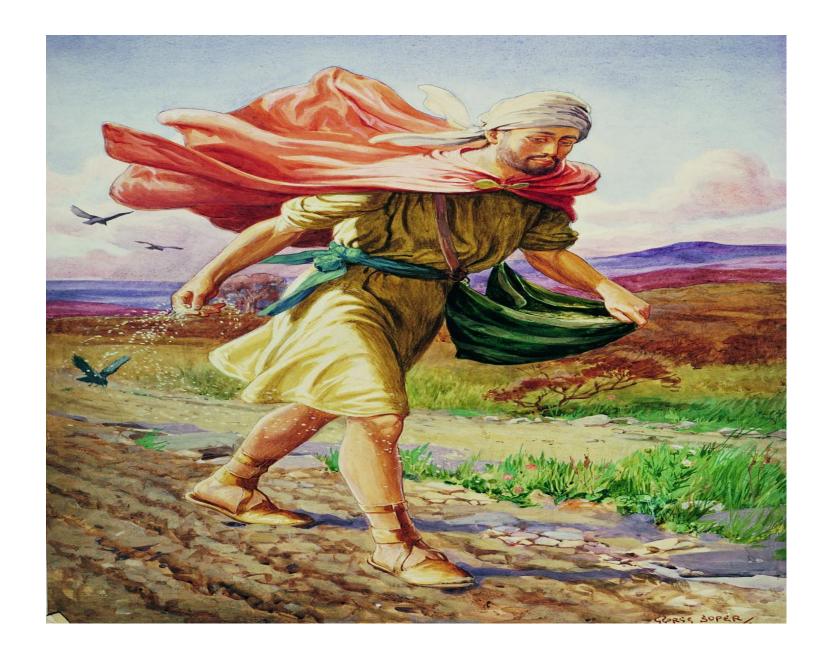
A man reaps what he sows.

Just as there are physical laws in our world, there are also spiritual laws.

Galatians 6:7-10

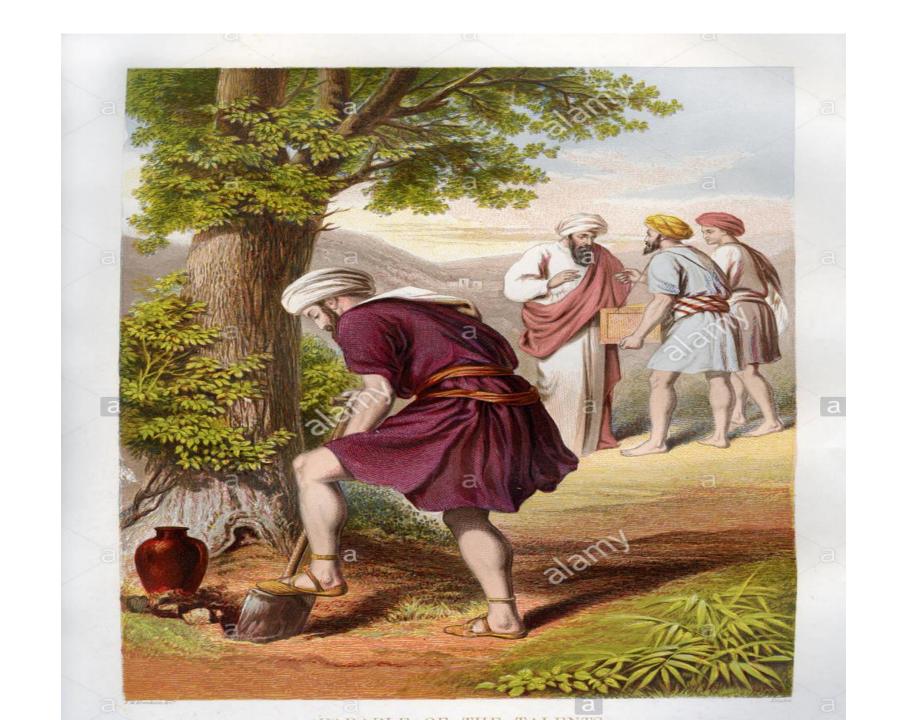
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- Matthew 25:24-30
- New International Version
- ²⁴ "Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. ²⁵ So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.'
- ²⁶ "His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? ²⁷ Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.

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- ²⁸ "'So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. ²⁹ For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them.^(A) ³⁰ And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'(B)



Are you sowing bad seed, good seed, or no seed?

What have you done with your talents (time, money, and gifts)?