# **DIVING DEEPER**

- 1. How would obeying Jesus' command in v1 make us distinctive from the world? In what ways do you see a judgmental attitude in our society or in your own experience of it?
- 2. Sometimes people criticize Christians for having a judgmental 'holier than thou' attitude. That is surely sometimes true! Why, from your understanding of the gospel, should a Christian not have such an attitude (other than because we're told not to!)?
- 3. Imagine you were speaking to a friend or colleague who said, "Christians are just a bunch of hypocrites who think they're better than others." How might you respond to such a comment?
- 4. How does the picture / parable of vv3-5 affect the way we think about (a) our own sins and (b) those of others? How does it help correct and shape our hearts?
- 5. How can we foster humility in ourselves and a culture of humility between each other in which we're able to give and receive loving correction (the removing of specks from each other's eves)?

# Bible Baptist Church BIBLE STUDY

#### MIRACLE OF MERCY

Kingdom Judgement
MATTHEW 7:1-5



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## **GOD SPEAKS**

WHEN WE LAY ASIDE A CRITICAL SPIRIT, OUR VISION BECOMES CLEARER HELPING US SEE GOD'S PLAN FOR US AND FOR THOSE AROUND

| 1. JUDGING COMES BACK TO |  |
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| YOU.                     |  |

Judge not, that you be not judged. Matthew 7:1

# 2. JUDGING RETURNS WITH THE SAME IT WAS DELIVERED.

<sup>2</sup>For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you. Matthew 7:2

# 3. JUDGING \_\_\_\_\_ US TO OUR OWN CONDITION.

<sup>3</sup>And why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? <sup>4</sup>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? **Matthew 7:3-4** 

#### 4. JUDGING BEGINS WITH

<sup>5</sup>Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye. Matthew 7:5

#### **GOD INVITES**

Conviction and compassion – it's not a binary concept of one or the other. It is both strength of conviction and depth of compassion that will enable us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world that God has called us to be.

-Maybe you need to act on what you've heard today. Maybe the first thing you need to do is humble yourself before God and repent for having a critical spirit. Then talk to the Lord about plank removal. Pray the prayer of **Psalm 139** and ask God to do help you see yourself the way He does. Ask Him for His help. He is willing because He wants you to live in the flow of His grace. He wants you to be healthy and to have good vision – so you can see Him for Who He is and so you can see people the way He does – through eyes of compassion and grace with a view towards total redemption. Miracle of Mercy!!!

## NOTES

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