Judging Others - Luke 6:37-42

Topics: Acceptance, Accusation, Benefits, Consequences, Criticism, Forgiveness, Gifts, Help, Judging Others, Learning, Promises, Relationships, Teaching

Open It

- 1. From what teacher or wise person have you learned the most so far?
- * 2. How does the expression "What goes around, comes around" apply in personal relationships?
 - 3. When have you criticized someone for an action that you also were guilty of?

Explore It

- 4. What specific promises did Jesus make? (6:37-38)
- 5. How much did Jesus want His disciples to give? Why? (6:38)
- * 6. What does God give to those who give? (6:38)
 - 7. How did Jesus summarize the importance of extending grace, mercy, and help to others? (6:38)
 - 8. What will God give to each person? (6:38)
- * 9. What reason did Jesus give for discouraging the blind from attempting to lead others who were also blind? (6:39)
 - 10. How do a student and his or her teacher relate? (6:40)
- * 11. What is the main point of the parable of the plank and the speck of sawdust? (6:41-42)
 - 12. What is a person who fails to see his or her own shortcomings? (6:42)
 - 13. What is required of a person before he or she can teach or instruct someone else? (6:42)

Get It

- 14. What does it mean to give "a good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over"?
- 15. When is it easy to judge others?
- 16. Why is it important not to judge or condemn others?
- 17. What do judging, condemning, forgiving, and giving have in common?
- * 18. To what kind of giving did Jesus refer when He said, "Give, and it will be given to you"?
- * 19. What kind of blindness did Jesus have in mind when He spoke of the blind leading the blind?
 - 20. How is a well-trained student like his teacher?
 - 21. What bothersome circumstances could Jesus have had in mind as He told the parable of the sawdust and plank?
 - 22. What shortcomings in ourselves do we tend to overlook?
 - 23. Who is most qualified to point out shortcomings in others?

Apply It

- * 24. In what relationship in your life do you want to show more grace, mercy, and giving? How?
 - 25. In what ways can you be a more diligent student of your heavenly Teacher this week?