



Christianity In Real Life

Godly Perspectives in a Godless World

Luke 6:37-38

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37 "Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; **38** give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." (ESV)

1. Understand _____

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2. Don't _____

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Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Luke 6:37-42**. What do most non-Christians (along with an increasing number of Christians) usually mean when they quote v.37 by itself? How should the instructions in the following verses (especially vv.41-42) prevent people from overstating the intended meaning of v.37?
2. Read **1 Corinthians 6:1-4**. How does this passage motivate you to learn to discerningly identify and respond to right and wrong?
3. Read **Romans 2:1-5**. Why is it so easy for everyone to engage in this kind of double-standard?
4. Read **Ephesians 4:31 – 5:2**. How are the problems found in v.31 expressed and specifically demonstrated in your life and relationships? Why does 5:1-2 necessarily change all that?
5. Read **Psalms 32**. Describe the kind of exhortation in vv.6-11 that flows from the perspective of vv.1-5. How does this compare to the kind of exhortation we might imagine would come from one who is not mindful of his own forgiveness?

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: Through the Bible) for schedule prompts.

January 26th

Ex.11-12 & Mt.18:21-35

January 27th

Ex.13-15 & Mt.19:1-15

January 28th

Ex.16-18 & Mt.19:16-30

January 29th

Ex.19-21 & Mt.20:1-16

January 30th

Ex.22-24 & Mt.20:17-34

January 31st

Ex.25-26 & Mt.21:1-22

February 1st

Ex.27-28 & Mt.21:23-46

February 2nd

Ex.29-30 & Mt.22:1-22

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. # 05-67 – **The Use & Abuse of Discerning the Errors of Our Sinful World**

Msg. # 09-20 – **Celebrating Unearned Forgiveness**

Msg. # 09-07 – **Scripture's Overarching Theme of Grace**

Msg. # 13-05 – **Loving Enough to Tell the Truth About Hell**

Msg. # 12-14 – **Forecast for a Rebellious World**

Msg. # 11-31 – 11-35 – **The Black & White on Gray Areas** (a five-part series)

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Adams, Jay. **From Forgiven to Forgiving**. Calvary Press, 1997.

Carson, D. A. **Love in Hard Places**. Crossway Books, 2002.

_____. **The Intolerance of Tolerance**. Eerdmans, 2012.

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MacArthur, John. **A Tale of Two Sons: The Inside Story**. Thomas Nelson, 2008.

_____. **The Freedom and Power of Forgiveness**. Crossway, 2009.

Piper, John. **Love Your Enemies: Jesus' Love Command in the Synoptic Gospels**. Baker Books, 1992.

Powlison, David. **God's Love: Better Than Unconditional**. P & R Publishing, 2001.

Pritchard, Ray. **The Healing Power of Forgiveness**. Harvest House, 2005.

Sande, Ken. **The Peacemaker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflicts**. Baker Books, 1997.

Smith, William P. **How to Love Difficult People: Receiving and Sharing God's Mercy**. NG Press, 2008.

Sproul, R. C. **The Holiness of God**. Tyndale House, 1985.

Spurgeon, C. H. **All of Grace**. Whitaker House, 1985.