

JUDGING #2

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Right to judge people?

- Yes
 - ▣ Government must judge (Rom. 13:1-4)
 - ▣ Churches must judge (1 Cor. 5:3-7)
 - ▣ Christians must judge (1 Jno. 4:1; Matt. 7:15-20)

Right to judge people?

- But we are not to judge
 - ▣ By appearance (Jno. 7:24)
 - ▣ Harshly (Matt. 7:1-3)
 - ▣ To condemn (Rom. 14:10)
 - ▣ As God (Jas. 4:11-12)

Right to judge people?

- We are to judge
 - ▣ With compassion (Jude 21-23; Gal. 6:1)
 - ▣ With the word (Matt. 13:14-15)

How Will God Judge Us?

- **By Christ**

- Acts 17:31

- “Because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead.”

How Will God Judge Us?

- **By Christ's Words**

- John 12:48

- “He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him—the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day.”

How Will God Judge Us?

- **By our words**

- Matt 12:36

- “But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment.”

How Will God Judge Us?

- **By our Works**

- 2 Cor 5:10

- “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.”

How Will God Judge Us?

□ By our beliefs

□ John 8:24

- “Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.”

□ 2 John 1:9-10

- “Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son. If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him;”

How Will God Judge Us?

□ By our faithfulness

■ Matt 7:21-23

- “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’”

Why?

- Reveal secrets of the heart
 - ▣ Rom. 2:16
 - “In the day when God will judge the **secrets** of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel”

Why?

- Declare the justice of God
 - ▣ Rom. 3:26
 - “To demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.”