Text: Matthew 7:1-6

Matthew 7:16 Judge not, that you be not judged.

² For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and 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 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

⁶ "Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you.

1. Legalistic Judging by Christians is a Sin

2. God Always Gets the 'Last Word' - But the Church Must Always(!) Call the World to Repentance! (Luke 24:46-48)

Luke 24:46 and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,

47 and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.

3. We Must(!) Encourage and Help Fellow Christians Grow, But We Must Not Sit Idly By While They Wander from Biblical Truth (Romans 14:1, 10-13; Romans 16:17-18)

Romans 14:1 As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions.

10 Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God;

¹¹ for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

¹² So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

¹³ Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother.

Romans 16:17 I appeal to you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; avoid them.

¹⁸ For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naive.

4. Don't Waste Your Witness/Time on Haters of God, His People, and His Word (Matthew 7:6)

Matt. 7:6 6 Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you.

