

“The People’s Court”

Matthew 7:1-2

"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.

Wrong view of God

John 12:47

"If anyone hears my words and does not keep them, I do not **judge** him; for I did not come to **judge** the world but to save the world."

Romans 14:10

"You, then, why do you **judge** your brother? Or why do you look down on your brother? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat." When??

Acts 17:31

"He has set a day when he will **judge** the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead."

Ephesians 2:8-9

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast."

We have the wrong view of people

"If you judge people, you have no time to love them."

Mother Teresa

I Corinthians 4:5

"Therefore **judge** nothing before the appointed time; wait till the Lord comes. He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of men's hearts. At that time each will receive his praise from God."

Romans 2:1

"Therefore you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the **judge**, practice the very same things."

Wrong view of Believers

That kind of mentality is “marked” of a judging / condemning spirit...

- Self-righteousness
- Hypocritical – Do as I say, not as I do
- Critical
- Over expressive – don’t have the facts...Prov. 18:13 “If one gives an answer before he hears, it is his folly and shame.”

"We evaluate others with a Godlike justice, but we want them to evaluate us with a God like compassion."
Sydney J. Harris