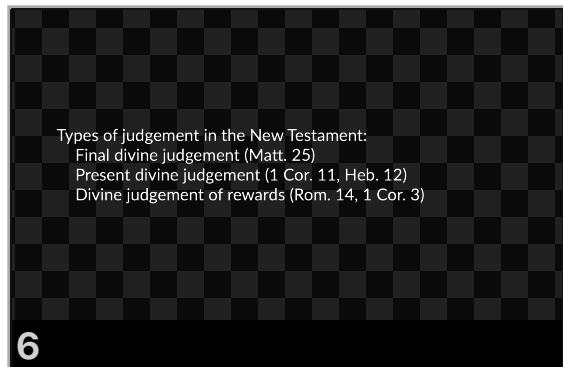
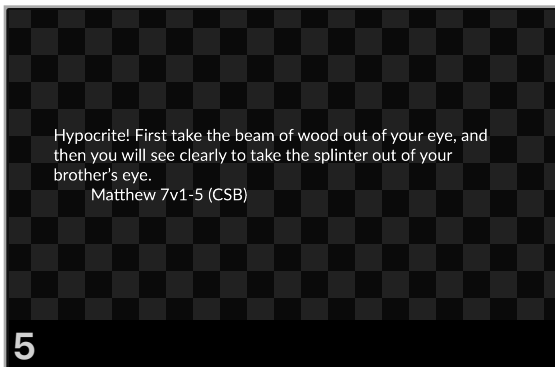
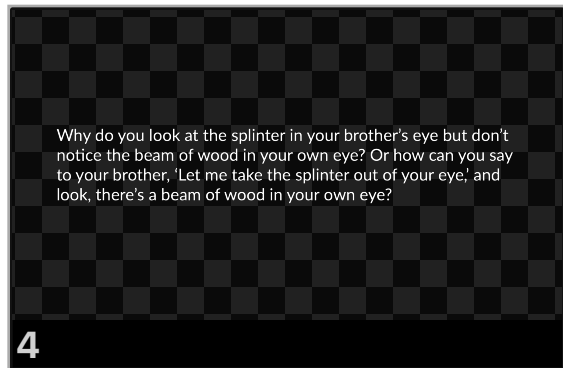
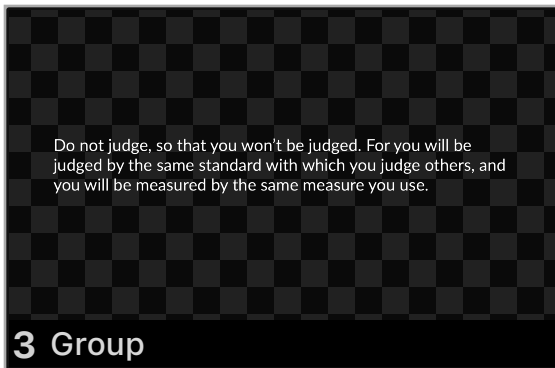


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If you try and judge others like God, your judgement does nothing but expose your own faults.

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"The average Christian is the most piercingly critical individual known."

Oswald Chambers

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"We claim that we do not want to be unfair to people, that we do not want to criticize, but that we are really concerned about the truth! Ah, says our Lord in effect, if you were really concerned about truth, you would be judging yourself. But you do not judge yourself; therefore your interest is not really in truth."

Martyn Lloyd Jones

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Judgement is when we make a negative and critical evaluation of others without standing in solidarity with them.

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Why do we often judge?
Because we want to *fix* people.
Because we want to *feel better* about ourselves.

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"Thou hypocrite...the fact of the matter is that we are not really concerned about helping this other person; we are interested only in condemning him. We pretend to have this great interest; we pretend that we are very distressed at finding this blemish. But in reality, as our Lord has already shown us (and this is the horrible part), we are really glad to discover it."

Martyn Lloyd Jones

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Judgement is condemnation without compassion.
Assessment is wisdom with compassion.

Judgement criticizes with self-righteousness and relational distance.
Assessment evaluates with humility and relational proximity.

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"Truth minus grace is hot sauce. It's all head and no heart. People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care. Grace minus truth is weak sauce. It's all heart and no head. We don't want to hurt anyone's feelings, so we let them hurt themselves. Grace plus truth is our secret sauce!"

Mark Batterson

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When making peace and dealing with conflict we must remember:

- We will be judged by God (the ultimate just judge)
- Jesus is the standard by which we will be judged
- Peacemaking begins with self-reflection

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Tool for self-reflection to begin the peacemaking process:

1. Prayerfully examine yourself
2. Make a list of your own logs and beams
3. Make a list of the other persons wrongs
4. Review the lists (yours should be *noticeably* longer)

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