

▼ **Here Comes The Judge!**

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- **Read the Passage: Matthew 7:1-6**

▼ **Purpose of the Sermon (what listeners should do)**

- Recognize ways in which we may be judging others.
- Recognize ways in which our vision might be distorted.
- Learn how to confront our own problems first.

▼ **Background**

▼ Remember our calling to be a blessing to others.

- God called Abraham to be a blessing to others. As Abraham's heirs, this also applies to us. - Genesis 12:1-3
- We're not blessed because of our own righteousness. - Deuteronomy 9:1-6

▼ Are we treating each other like brothers and sisters (i.e. like family)?

- The early church became family to each other - Acts 2:42-47
- Bear with one another - Ephesians 4:1-6
- Build one another up - Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2

▼ Understand how to treat one another specifically:

▼ 5 Love Languages

- Words of Affirmation
- Acts of Service
- Receiving Gifts
- Quality Time
- Physical Touch
- Do you know the love languages of anyone else in on your team or in the congregation?

▼ Are we serving others?

- Serve others - especially the ones you want to lead - Matthew 20:20-28

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▼ **Conclusion**

- Train for this. Put it into practice - Matthew 7:24-27.

▼ **Discussion Questions**

- In what ways are you tempted to judge others? In what ways do you actually judge?
- Removing a speck from someone's eye has to be done carefully. What factors might be keeping you from seeing clearly enough to do the job?
- What are some logs you might need to pull out of your own eye first?