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Texts: Matthew 7:1-6
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“Do not judge, so that you won’t be judged. 2 For you will be judged by the same standard with which you judge others, and you will be measured by the same measure you use. 3 Why do you look at the splinter in your brother’s eye but don’t notice the beam of wood in your own eye? 4 Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the splinter out of your eye,’ and look, there’s a beam of wood in your own eye? 5 Hypocrite! First take the beam of wood out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to take the splinter out of your brother’s eye. 6 Don’t give what is holy to dogs or toss your pearls before pigs, or they will trample them under their feet, turn, and tear you to pieces.

Matthew 7:1-6

I. We can be critical without being condemning.

Matthew 7:1-2, cf. Romans 14:10

II. We should speak critically only when we see ourselves clearly.

Matthew 7:3-5

III. We must think critically and have discernment in declaring Jesus’s Gospel.

Matthew 7:6, cf.

The Good news of the kingdom is that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners like us, who are spiritually blind because of sin, who arrogantly look down on others different from us, who deserve judgment.

16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

John 3:16-17