

Matthew Session 3: Make-up Assignment

Read – Matthew 7: 1-5

Reflection questions: Answer in complete sentences.

1. Are you guilty of judging others?
2. What do you tend to judge? People's actions or words?
3. Have you ever felt judged and how did you deal with that?
4. What words from the passage stand out to you? Why?
5. It is sometimes necessary for followers of Christ to stand up and confront sinful situations -to say: "This action or attitude is wrong and is hurting others. I cannot remain silent in the face of this sin." Do you agree or disagree, and provide ONE example.

Activity: Where do you stand?

*Instructions – Read the situations below one at a time. Which response from the list below best suits the situation? **Explain why.***

Let it be / Not my problem / I Can Help / Tell Someone

Scenario 1: A classmate shares a video of other kids from your school harassing a homeless person outside of the local Starbucks. They are filmed taking some of the person's belongings and throwing them in a trash bin. They post it on social media hoping to get more followers.

Scenario 2: A friend is binge eating then throwing up because he wants to post pictures of himself showing perfect abs.

Scenario 3: A friend confides in you that she is secretly dating another friend's boyfriend. She believes he is planning to break up with the other girl and it will be okay.

Scenario 4: A classmate is struggling in completing homework because he has to work after school. He is using some of his money to pay another student to do his assignments.

Scenario 5: Classmates are talking about another student negatively whose social media had pictures of her with her new baby.

Read: Matthew 23: 1-14 *Jesus denounces the ways of the Scribes and Pharisees*

What is Jesus's central message?

Today in society, who are the people like the scribes and pharisees?

