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## **Hypocritical Judgment Condemned**

- A. Remove beam from eye before making judgment (Matt. 7:1-5)
- B. Must apply same standards to self (Rom. 2:1-3)
- C. Mercy and humility necessary when making judgment (Gal. 6:1)

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## **Certain Judgments Commanded**

- A. Spiritual man judges all things (1 Cor. 2:15)
- B. Judge righteous judgment (John 7:24)
- C. Must test spirits (1 John 4:1)
- D. Must judge fruit (Matt. 7:15-20)
- E. Must judge teachings by scripture (Acts 17:11)

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## **Judgment Necessary For...**

- A. Taking guard against false teachers (Matt. 7:15)
- B. Marking and avoiding false teachers (Rom. 16:17)
- C. Rebuking sin publicly (1 Tim. 5:20; 2 Tim. 2:17-18; Gal. 2)
- D. Employing church discipline (1 Cor. 5:1-13)
- E. Withdrawing from disorderly brethren (2 Thess. 3:6)
- F. Admonishing divisive people (Titus 3:10)
- G. Restoring erring brethren (Gal. 6:1)
- H. Discerning how to best approach people (Jude 23; 1 Thess. 5:14)