

Jesus Said What?

Hard Sayings of Jesus (Part Five)

- Introduction:
1. Some statements of Jesus are “Hard” because they are difficult to understand and others are “Hard” because they are difficult to obey.
 2. In this lesson, we’ll look at both.

I. Judge Not That You Be Not Judged

- A. (Matthew 7:1-5).
- B. This is probably one of the most well-known verses in the Bible.
 1. (John 3:16; John 8:7).
- C. Sometimes statements seem to be unqualified, but they are qualified by the context.
 1. Marriage is honorable all (Hebrews 13:8).
 2. Don’t touch a woman (1 Corinthians 7:1).
 3. Prayer – (Matthew 7:7-8).
- D. What is under consideration is hypocritical judgment.
 1. Consider v. 5 – then you can remove the plank.
 2. Consider v. 6 – We must discern between pigs and dogs.
 3. Consider v. 15-20 – Know them by their fruits.
 4. John 7:24 – Judge righteous judgment.

II. Don’t Cast Pearls Before Swine

- A. (Matthew 7:6).
- B. What does this mean?
- C. Jesus said something similar when giving the limited commission (Matt. 10:14).
- D. But how do we know when a person is like that.
 1. When a person is closed minded, you’re wasting your time.
 2. But this doesn’t mean to never approach them again.

III. Call No Man Father On The Earth

- A. (Matthew 23:7).
- B. The words are easy enough to understand, but the application has been difficult for some.
- C. Catholics know this verse is in the Bible.
 1. (1 Corinthians 4:15).
- D. There is a difference in the term used as a title rather than a description.
- E. These are not the only words forbidden...we need to look closer home – consider the term “Brother.”