

## You Have no Right to Judge!

### Intro:

1. Do you have any right to make judgments about another?

### Body:

- I. Consider Paul's letter to Corinth — 1 Cor. 5:1-13.
- II. Consider statements condemning making judgments.
  - A. "Judge not..." — Matt. 7:1-5.
    1. Yet — Matt. 7:6, 15-20.
  - B. "Why do you judge your brother?" — Rom. 14:10.
    1. What is the context? — Rom. 14:1-4ff.
    2. Yet — Rom. 16:17.
  - C. "Who are you to judge your neighbor?" — Jas 4:12.
    1. What is the context — Jas. 4:1, 11-12.
      - a. We should apply Jas 1:19.
      - b. What law might James be writing of? — Jas. 2:8.
    2. Yet — Jas. 5:19-20.
  - D. Thus we conclude we are not to judge hypocritically, in matters of opinion, or with evil intent.
- III. Do we have the right to judge? — Jn. 7:24.
  - A. The Jews (leaders) sought to kill Jesus — 7:1.
    1. Why? (John 5:1-18)
    2. They now sought to kill him based upon an unrighteous judgment — Jn. 7:21-24.
  - B. Jesus did not tell them they should not judge, but to judge righteously

### Conc:

1. We should not judge hypocritically, in matters of opinion, or with evil intent.
  - a. Yet, throughout the Bible, instructions are given which require us to judge others. Such should be righteous judgments.
2. We must constantly judge our own lives — 2 Cor. 13:5.
  - a. God invites you to live according to His word.