



Trezevant Church of Christ

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The Follower

June 8, 2025

As we continue reflecting on the words of Jesus from the Sermon on the Mount, I invite you to look at His teaching from a fresh perspective. In Matthew 7:1-6, Jesus shares a lesson that cuts to the heart of how we relate to one another—"Judge not, that you be not judged" (Matthew 7:1, ESV). These powerful words have been quoted countless times, but today, let's pause and consider them in a deeper way. Instead of just hearing this teaching as a call to stop being critical, let's explore what it really means for us as believers to live with mercy and humility.

It's easy to see the faults in others, but Jesus challenges us to first examine ourselves before pointing out the flaws in those around us. This doesn't mean we should ignore the struggles of others or never offer help. Rather, it calls us to approach our relationships with an attitude of self-reflection and grace. Before we criticize, we should ask ourselves, "Am I seeing clearly? Have I removed the log from my own eye before addressing the speck in my brother's?"

Jesus' teaching is not about ignoring wrong or avoiding confrontation; it's about our approach. It's about addressing sin, but doing so with love, humility, and compassion. He reminds us that the measure we use to judge others is the same measure that will be used against us. How sobering is that? How would we want others to treat us when we fall short?

As followers of Christ, we are called to live out grace—grace that God has so generously shown to us. When we are quick to show mercy to others, we are reflecting the heart of the Gospel. The good news of Jesus is that He did not come to condemn but to save. And as we live in His image, we are to follow His example of offering grace, not judgment.

In our daily lives, whether in our families, our workplaces, or our communities, the temptation to judge is strong. Yet, Jesus invites us to something better: a life marked by kindness, understanding, and a willingness to help others grow, rather than tear them down. This is especially important in a world that is quick to criticize, especially on social media. We must remember that our words carry weight, and we are called to use them to build others up, not to tear them down.

I challenge each of us to take some time this week to reflect on how we approach others. Are there areas where we have been too quick to judge? Are there situations where we could show more grace, more mercy? As we learn to embrace the heart of Christ, we become more like Him—slow to anger, quick to forgive, and always ready to extend love.

Let's make a commitment to treat others with the same grace that we have received from God. Let's be a church that loves, supports, and helps each other grow, without falling into the trap of judgment.

As you go through this week, ask God to open your heart to His mercy and to help you become more like Christ in your relationships. Remember, we are all works in progress, and together, we can encourage each other to reflect the love of Christ in everything we do.

May we walk in grace, humility, and the power of God's love, and may we always remember that God is the only righteous Judge. Let's leave judgment to Him and focus on living lives full of mercy and kindness.

"Mercy triumphs over judgment" (James 2:13).

Let's encourage one another, support one another, and offer grace instead of judgment. May we all be more like Jesus in how we treat others.

David Trevathan

News and Notes...

- **MEET-EAT-MEET TODAY** All are encouraged to stay and enjoy the food and fellowship.
- A reminder that there will be a singing at **Pleasant View Church of Christ** today at 2:30 PM. We encourage everyone who is able to attend and join in this wonderful time of worship and fellowship through song. Let's come together to praise God and be uplifted in His presence. Hope to see you there!
- **WestTNSummerYouthSeries2025**
Mark your calendars for June 9th at 7:00 p.m. for the second session of the West TN Summer Youth Series at Liberty Church of Christ! Teens from across West Tennessee will come together for an evening of worship, fellowship, and spiritual growth. It's a great chance to connect with other youth and continue building your faith in Christ.
- **Attention Ladies!** There will be a meeting after Sunday morning worship service to discuss the upcoming Ladies Retreat in Gatlinburg, TN, as well as other activities. This is a wonderful opportunity to get involved and learn more about the exciting plans ahead. We encourage all the ladies to attend and be a part of this meeting.
- **Snack Donation for Asera Care Hospice**

Hospice care provides invaluable support for patients and their families, and we want to show our appreciation for the incredible work they do. Each month, we will be collecting snacks to donate to Asera Care Hospice.

How You Can Help:

- Bring in snacks and place them in the donation box at the church.
- Be sure to check the expiration date before donating.
- We will be delivering these snacks at the end of each month.

Let's come together to show kindness and support for those in need. Thank you for your generosity!

- **Blessing Box Donation Request**

Our Blessing Box is in need of a few essential items to continue supporting those in need in our community. If you are able to help, we are currently collecting the following items:

- Travel size shampoos
- Travel size soap
- Travel size toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Canned chicken

Please place your donations in the foyer. Your generosity makes a big difference in the lives of those who need it most.

- September **Country Party**; More info coming soon.

Remember in Prayer ...

Sawyer Sutton: Was in a serious car accident last week.

Wanda Tidwell

Ronnie Belew: Eye issues

Hal Luckey: Cancer on his nose.

Sara Beth Mayfield: We are excited to share the wonderful news that Sara Beth gave birth to a healthy baby boy on Monday! Bennett Taylor Mayfield weighed in at 7 lbs and measured 18 inches long. Both mom and baby are doing great, and we praise God for this new blessing in their lives.

Melinda Carroll: Had knee replacement Wednesday.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES...

Finlee Rae Peevyhouse 1, Dale Aden 3, David Keel 4, Emily Moore 4, G, Dillon Foster 10, Jeanie Brasher 23, Sara Beth Mayfield 25

We welcome our visitors; we are indeed honored to have you with us. We ask that you complete a visitor card and leave it in the pew or the collection plate, and please allow us the opportunity to get acquainted.

| TO SERVE TODAY: 6/8/25 | AM | PM |
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| Opening Prayer | David Bryant | Dale Aden |
| Song Leading | Keith Peevyhouse | Nick Bryant |
| Preside Lord's Supper | D. Bryant, N. Bryant | |
| Scripture Reading | Casey Bush | Mickey Keen |
| Closing Prayer | Elijah Bryant | Landon Hudgins |
| NEXT WEEK: 6/15/25 | | |
| Opening Prayer | Dale Ballentine | Dale Aden |
| Song Leading | Keith Peevyhouse | Nick Bryant |
| Preside Lord's Supper | D. Bryant, N. Bryant | |
| Scripture Reading | Mark Wright | Keith Peevyhouse |
| Closing Prayer | Dylan Holt | John Henery Long |

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Office Hours:

Monday: Off
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m—4:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 9:00 a.m—4:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m—4:00 p.m.
 Friday: 9:00 a.m—4:00 p.m.
 Saturday: Off

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday:

Bible Class 9:00AM
Worship 10:00AM & 5:00PM
(Meet-Eat-Meet each second Sunday)

Wednesday:

Bible Study 6:30pm
(Fellowship & Devotional Every Fourth Wednesday)