# "Judgment Day" (7)

"So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil." (2 Corinthians 5:9-10)

### So You Enjoy Judging...

<u>Matthew 7:1-2</u> – (1) "Judge not, that you be not judged. (2) <u>For with the</u> <u>judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you."</u>

Exodus 2:11-15 – (11) "One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and looked on their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his people. (12) He looked this way and that, and seeing no one, he struck down the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. (13) When he went out the next day, behold, two Hebrews were struggling together. And he said to the man in the wrong, 'Why do you strike your companion?' (14) He answered, 'Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?' Then Moses was afraid, and thought, 'Surely the thing is known.' (15) When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from Pharaoh and stayed in the land of Midian..."

Key Point: How We Judge Affects How We're to be Judged

## Response:

### **Remember the Mercy Rule:**

"For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment." (James 2:13)

"With the merciful you show yourself merciful..." (Psalm 18:25)

#### Remember Restoration is God's Will...

"Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, <u>you who are</u> spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. <u>Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted</u>." (Galatians 6:1)

#### & God even Restores Harsh Judges

"This Moses, whom they rejected, saying, 'Who made you a ruler and a judge?'—this man God sent as both ruler and redeemer by the hand of the angel who appeared to him in the bush. This man led them out, performing wonders and signs in Egypt and at the Red Sea and in the wilderness for forty years." (Acts 7:35-36)

#### **Questions:**

What impacted me the most in this message?

Do I judge 'fast & furiously'? How many corpses have I buried under the sand?

Do I assume that everybody must be interested in my assessments? (James 4:11-12)

Do I need to repent of errant judging? (John 7:24)