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I Samuel 16:7 (NKJV)

“But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.””

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James 2:1-5 (NKJV)

“My brethren, do not hold the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with partiality. For if there should come into your assembly a man with gold rings, in fine apparel, and there should also come in a poor man in filthy clothes, and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes and say to him, "You sit here in a good place," and say to the poor man, "You stand there," or, "Sit here at my footstool," have you not shown partiality among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brethren: Has God not chosen the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?”

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Isaiah 53:2 (NKJV)

“For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him.”

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Matthew 23:26-28 (NKJV)

“Blind Pharisee, first cleanse the inside of the cup and dish, that the outside of them may be clean also. "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs which indeed appear beautiful outwardly, but inside are full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness. "Even so you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.”

UNRIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT

Judgment is unrighteous if:

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- It is done with partiality



Don't Judge with Partiality

Proverbs 24:23 (NKJV)

“These things also belong to the wise: It is not good to show partiality in judgment.”

Don't Judge with Partiality

Leviticus 19:15 (NKJV)

“You shall do no injustice in judgment. You shall not be partial to the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty. In righteousness you shall judge your neighbor.”

Don't Judge with Partiality

Romans 2:11 (NKJV)

“For there is no partiality with God.”

UNRIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT

Judgment is unrighteous if:

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- It is done with partiality
- It uses the wrong standard



Use the Right Standard

John 12:48 (NKJV)

““He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him--the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day.”

Use the Right Standard

Matthew 15:9 (NKJV)

“And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.”

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Titus 1:14 (NKJV)

“not giving heed to Jewish fables and commandments of men who turn from the truth.”

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- It is in matters of opinion or conscience



Don't Judge in Matters of Opinion or Conscience

Romans 14:1-5 (NKJV)

“Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things. For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand. One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind.”

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- It is done with partiality
- It uses the wrong standard
- It is in matters of opinion or conscience
- I fail to judge myself first



Judge Yourself First

Romans 2:1-3 (NKJV)

“Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth against those who practice such things. And do you think this, O man, you who judge those practicing such things, and doing the same, that you will escape the judgment of God?”

Judge Yourself First

Matthew 7:2-5 (NKJV)

“For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you. "And why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? "Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me remove the speck from your eye'; and look, a plank is in your own eye? "Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.”

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