

**“Making Disciples Who Make Disciples, Part 3:**

***A Disciple is Not Above His Teacher”***

*Sermon Notes*

- **Our culture teaches us to be exacting of others while going easy on ourselves – our Savior teaches the reverse**

*\*Making disciples who make disciples requires...*

1. ... \_\_\_\_\_ with others (vv. 37-38)

2. ... \_\_\_\_\_ of yourself (vv.39-45)

**Next Week: Luke 6:46-49 - “Making Disciples Who Make Disciples, Part 4:**

***Dug Down Deep”***

## Community Group Study Guide

For the Week of July 16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

### Please read Luke 6:37-45.

1. In verse 37, the Lord commands that we not judge or condemn.
  - a. Does this mean that we should not be discerning or form an opinion about someone? (See John 7:24) Please explain.
  - b. Does this forbid making moral judgments or ethical evaluations? (See 1 John 4:1) Please explain.
  - c. Does this mean we shouldn't voice an unfavorable opinion? Please explain.
  - d. What about disciplinary action in the church? Isn't that judging? (1 Corinthians 5:12) Please explain.
  - e. Is there a difference between judging and condemning, or is the prohibition against condemning a clarification? Please explain.
  - f. Is the forgiveness commanded here referring to personal relationships only, or are government actions included? Please explain.
  
2. In verse 38, the Lord speaks about giving a good measure.
  - a. Is Jesus still referring to judgment, or is he now talking about being generous? Please explain.
  - b. What do the terms pressed down, shaken together, and running over refer to?
  - b. Does the measure that is measured in return to you come from God, or from other people, or both? Please explain.
  
3. How does the parable about the blind leading the blind in verse 39 relate to the commands about judging and generosity in verses 37 and 38?
  - a. Is the Lord warning the disciples not to follow blind leaders, not to be blind leaders, or both in this parable? Please explain.
  - b. When the disciples are fully trained, what will they be able to see clearly? Will they be able to lead others at that time? Will they be fit to judge or condemn at that time? (See 1 Corinthians 6:3) Please explain.
  - c. In verses 41-42, the Lord talks about the speck in the eye of your brother, and the beam in your own eye. What does this have to do with blind leaders?
  - d. What is Jesus helping his disciples to learn to see in this passage?

4. Verses 43 and 44 begin with the word "because" indicating that these verses explain the preceding verses.
- What is the connection between a tree and its fruit and the inability to see a log in your own eye?
  - What would the figs and grapes be in the metaphor about the log in the eye?
  - What would the thorn plants and thorn bushes be in the metaphor about the log in the eye?
5. Is verse 45 related to verses 43 and 44? Please explain.
- If so, what image from the metaphor of the trees and their fruit corresponds to the good and evil man? Please explain.
  - What image from the metaphor corresponds to the good or evil content of the heart? Please explain.
  - What image from the metaphor corresponds to the speaking from the mouth? Please explain.
  - What does all this have to do with blindness, and the log in the eye?
  - What does all this have to do with judgment and generosity?