

How good is your **eyesight**?
Can you **see** and **hope** for the human **soul** the way God does?

Matthew 7:1-6 ESV

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 - C. We have the right and responsibility to help others deal with shortcomings.

1 Corinthians 5:12; For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge?

Galatians 6:1; Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness.

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Luke 18:9-14; "He also told this parable to some who **trusted in themselves** that they were righteous, and **treated others with contempt**..." Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax collector.

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John 7:24; "Do not judge by **appearances**, but judge with **right judgment**."

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Proverbs 26:21; As charcoal to hot embers and wood to fire, so is a **quarrelsome** man for **kindling strife**.

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1 Corinthians 3:2; I fed you with **milk**, not solid food, for you were **not ready** for it. And even now you **are not yet ready**.

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- 2. Be as careful as a **surgeon**, which comes from spiritual maturity (Galatians 6:1).

Response¹

- 1. Consider carefully **yourself**—the sin of your past or present.
- 2. Consider carefully **God**—the grace He has shown you.
- 3. Consider carefully **others**—how you might help them.