HEAD SCRATCHERS let's talk

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A cry for freedom

"Do not judge me."

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Paul Passes Judgement

- (1Co 5:1) It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that is not tolerated even among pagans, for a man has his father's wife.
- (1Co 5:2) And you are arrogant! Ought you not rather to mourn? Let him who has done this be removed from among you.



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- (1Co 5:3) For though absent in body, I am present in spirit; and as if present, I have already pronounced judgment on the one who did such a thing.
- (1Co 5:4) When you are assembled in the name of the Lord Jesus and my spirit is present, with the power of our Lord Jesus,



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(1Co 5:5) you are to deliver this man to
 Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that
 his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord.



Insiders and Outsiders

- (1Co 5:9) I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people—
- (1Co 5:10) not at all meaning the sexually immoral of this world, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world.



Insiders and Outsiders

 (1Co 5:11) But now I am writing to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of brother if he is guilty of sexual immorality or greed, or is an idolater, reviler, drunkard, or swindler—not even to eat with such a one.



Insiders and Outsiders

- (1Co 5:12) For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge?
- (1Co 5:13) God judges those outside."Purge the evil person from among you."



"The bible does not tell us not to judge, it tells us who to judge"



Language "issue"

In our community the word "accountability" has taken over the word "judging"

("(Help me account for my abilities") Or (Judge over my journey with my King. Help me)



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- (Mat 7:1) "Judge not, that you be not judged.
- (Mat 7:2) For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you.
- (Mat 7:3) Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?



- (Mat 7:4) Or how can you say to your
 brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your
 eye,' when there is the log in your own eye?
- (Mat 7:5) You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.



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- (Pro 9:8) Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you.
- (Pro 9:9) Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.



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- 3) In a safe place, wise believers submit themselves to Godly judgment



Believers: A prayer for Godly Judgement

Father, I thank you for loving believers in our church. I pray for loving judgement in my life. I pray that the judgement will be filled with the gentle and powerful touch of the Holy Spirit. That I may walk more like my King Jesus. Instruct me in you ways I pray-

In the name of Jesus.