



June 19, 2022

## “This or That”

Luke 6:27-36

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### Introduction

A word on methodology

Today's section continues a long series of Jesus sayings

### **This (Good Return) or That (Bad Return)? 6:37-38**

With the measure you use it will be measured back to you

A proverbial general observation of the way things actually work

Not specifically transactional (Prosperity Gospel)

Not automatic, mathematic, and irreversible (Eastern conceptions of Karma)

Two negatives: do not judge nor condemn; Two positives: forgiveness and generosity

Life in time is less a line and more a stretching spiral

Imagine yourself in a circular wind tunnel or in a bath

Returning to the golden rule to guide you in **this** over **that** (6:31)

Self-interest and selflessness

### **This (Teacher) or That (Teacher): 6:39-41**

We all need teachers else we be blind

But beware: you will become like your teacher

Unconsciously and consciously chosen teachers: see 2 Timothy 4:3

The tragedy of a blind person choosing a blind teacher: see Matthew 15:14

Are you now patterning your life after **this** or **that** kind of teacher?

### **This (Log) or That (Speck): 6:41-42**

We return to the theme of not judging/condemning another person

The prohibition to not judge does not prohibit one from having moral convictions

Judging is declaring what is true about another person which is something you cannot see

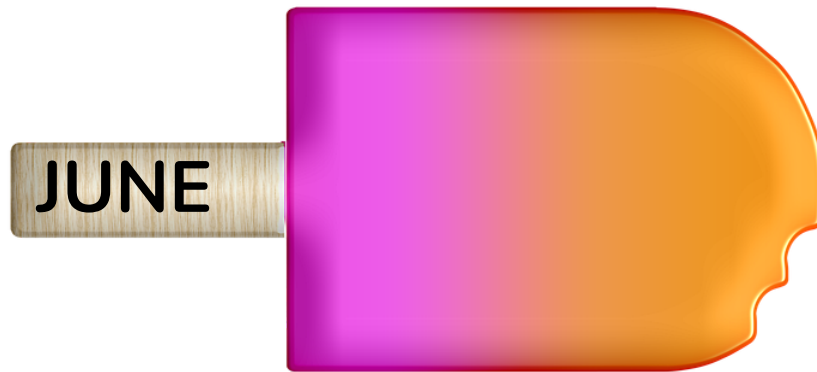
First reason: the constellation of another person's soul is complex and hidden

Second reason: your clear vision is blocked by the log of your own soul's constellation

Managing moral convictions in interpersonal relationships

Jesus' command leaves room for you to assume good under the surface

Wait to be invited to give your view, or at least follow the Law of the Hoops



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6/21: Men's Morning Bible Study at the IHOP on 148th at 8:00AM: **Dave Shelton**

6/22: Noon Prayer with Bellevue Christians in the Park Downtown Bellevue: **Jim Anderson**

6/21: Men's Morning Bible Study at the IHOP on 148th at 8:00AM: **Dave Shelton**

6/25: Saturday Morning Discovery Club 9AM at Juanita Bay Park: **Louise Conner**

6/26: Sunday Crossroads Mall Food Court informal lunch 11:45 AM: **Andersons**

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