

## Introduction

- The world has always evaluated Jesus, others and themselves by sinful superficial standards emphasizing things that God does not value
- Often, these superficial ways of looking at others are brought into the Lord's church
- God views people in a different way according to His righteous standard

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## How Do We Measure People? v3

A contrast between how the world and God measure what is most important about people

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- What does God value most in humanity?
- How should understanding God's standard for measuring others affect how we view others?
- In all our relationships, we should measure others as God measures not as the world does

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## Jesus Failed to Measure Up To Worldly Standards

Isa 53:1 Who has believed our message?  
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

Isa 53:2 For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, And like a root out of parched ground; He has no *stately* form or majesty That we should look upon Him, Nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him.

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Isa 53:3 He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

Isa 53:4 Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.

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Isa 53:5 But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being *fell* upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.

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## The World Tried To Make Jesus Fit Their View of Him

Joh 6:14 Therefore when the people saw the sign which He had performed, they said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world."

Joh 6:15 So Jesus, perceiving that they were intending to come and take Him by force to make Him king, withdrew again to the mountain by Himself alone.

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Joh 6:26 Jesus answered them and said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled.

Joh 6:27 "Do not work for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you, for on Him the Father, God, has set His seal."

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Joh 6:28 Therefore they said to Him, "What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?"

Joh 6:29 Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent."

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## Jesus Did Not Grow Up In A Famous Town

Joh 1:45 Philip \*found Nathanael and \*said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and *also* the Prophets wrote-- Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

Joh 1:46 Nathanael said to him, "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Philip \*said to him, "Come and see."

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## Jesus Was Not Educated By The "Experts" of The Law

Joh 7:14 But when it was now the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and *began to* teach.

Joh 7:15 The Jews then were astonished, saying, "How has this man become learned, having never been educated?"

Joh 7:16 So Jesus answered them and said, "My teaching is not Mine, but His who sent Me.

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## They Criticized The Company Jesus Kept

Mat 9:10 Then it happened that as Jesus was reclining *at the table* in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were dining with Jesus and His disciples.

Mat 9:11 When the Pharisees saw *this*, they said to His disciples, "Why is your Teacher eating with the tax collectors and sinners?"

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Mat 9:12 But when Jesus heard *this*, He said, "*It is* not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick.

Mat 9:13 "But go and learn what this means: 'I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT SACRIFICE,' for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

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## Jesus Had No Material Wealth

Mat 8:19 Then a scribe came and said to Him, "Teacher, I will follow You wherever You go."

Mat 8:20 Jesus \*said to him, "The foxes have holes and the birds of the air *have* nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head."

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## Jesus Had No Reputation Among The Religious Leaders

Joh 7:45 The officers then came to the chief priests and Pharisees, and they said to them, "Why did you not bring Him?"

Joh 7:46 The officers answered, "Never has a man spoken the way this man speaks."

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Joh 7:47 The Pharisees then answered them, "You have not also been led astray, have you?"

Joh 7:48 "No one of the rulers or Pharisees has believed in Him, has he?"

Joh 7:49 "But this crowd which does not know the Law is accursed."

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## Jesus Displayed A Sinless Righteous Life Before God and Others

Luk 3:21 Now when all the people were baptized, Jesus was also baptized, and while He was praying, heaven was opened,

Luk 3:22 and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came out of heaven, "You are My beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased."

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Heb 4:15 For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.

Heb 4:16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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## We Should View Jesus According To God's Standard

2Co 5:14 For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died;

2Co 5:15 and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

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2Co 5:16 Therefore from now on we recognize no one according to the flesh; even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know *Him in this way* no longer.

2Co 5:17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

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## How Do We Measure People?

- How do we measure our mates, children, brethren, preachers, elders and the lost?
- Do we measure them carnally or spiritually?
- Do we praise superficial qualities while ignoring the development of righteousness?
- Or, do we desire to be righteous before God and seek to encourage and value it in others, what God values most?

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## We Must Measure People More Deeply As God Does

Pro 31:29 "Many daughters have done nobly, But you excel them all."

Pro 31:30 Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, *But* a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised.

Pro 31:31 Give her the product of her hands, And let her works praise her in the gates.

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Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her,

Eph 6:1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

Eph 6:4 Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

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1Co 2:1 And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God.

1Co 2:2 For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.

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1Co 2:3 I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling,

1Co 2:4 and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,

1Co 2:5 so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.

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3Jn 1:2 Beloved, I pray that in all respects you may prosper and be in good health, just as your soul prospers.

3Jn 1:3 For I was very glad when brethren came and testified to your truth, *that is*, how you are walking in truth.

3Jn 1:4 I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth.

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Act 10:34 Opening his mouth, Peter said: "I most certainly understand now that God is not one to show partiality,

Act 10:35 but in every nation the man who fears Him and does what is right is welcome to Him.

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Act 2:38 Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

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Jer 9:23 Thus says the LORD, "Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches;

Jer 9:24 but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things," declares the LORD.

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