

“...for she
is a
sinner.”

Luke 7:39



Judging Righteously



*Between the cruelty of the Pharisee and
the blindness of those abusing God's
command of "Do not Judge"*

Highlights

1. The Pharisee's missing factors
2. The ignored factors by the abusers of God's command



The Pharisee's Missing Factors ⁽¹⁾

1. The factor of time:

- “a woman in the city who was a sinner” *Luke 7:37*

- Between Judas and the right hand thief



2. The factor of circumstances

The Pharisee's Missing Factors ⁽²⁾

3. The factor of mercy:

- The second chance
- The woman came repenting

4. The factor of appearance:

- “Do not judge according to appearance” *John 7:24*



The Pharisee's Missing Factors ⁽³⁾

5. The factor of himself being a sinner, too:

- He didn't deserve the Lords' visit, as well
- No right to judge her worthiness



The Pharisee's Missing Factors ⁽⁴⁾

6. The factor of his role and calling:

- He was supposedly a teacher who is called to guide sinners to God's mercy



The Pharisee's Missing Factors ⁽⁵⁾

7. The factor of God's will:

- “I did not come to call *the* righteous, but sinners, to repentance” *Mark 2:17*



The Ignored Factors by God's Command's Abusers ⁽¹⁾

1. "Everyone is a sinner" does not make sin tolerable by God
2. God's will for a sinner is to repent not to remain in his sin



The Ignored Factors by God's Command's Abusers ⁽²⁾

3. "Do not judge" doesn't mean to deprive the church of its role in defining what is sinful or calling upon sinners to repent
4. Acceptance of a sinner does not imply approval of his behavior



The Ignored Factors by God's Command's Abusers ⁽³⁾

5. Cruelty in judging others' worthiness is as wrong as the blind emotional way of doing so
6. Hearing the Truth about right and wrong is not breaking the command of "Don't judge"

