Evening Home Assemblies…continued

PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS:

What did you find most helpful fromtoday's sermon?

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When is judgment critically important for the church?_____

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Why must our judgment have an external standard?

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Why were the two common sense questions so good in exposing the problems of fault-finding?

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What are your thoughts on the healing process suggested in today's sermon? Can you think of any other steps that might be important in the healing process?_____

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POINTS FOR PRAYER:

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PLEASANT HILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Morning Assembly-Sept. 29th,2019

Title:*AHypocrite's Judgment, Fault-Finding, & Healing*

Text:Matthew 7:1-5

Introduction: As has been shared in previous lessons, one of the character qualities of hypocrites is that they are fault-finders. As fault finders who do the same or similar things they will be more harshly judged by God.

POINT 1:God's Judgment of Hypocrites! *Verses 1 &2*

✸ ***Hypocrites beware! God is just in His judgment!***

- **What does it mean to "Judge" another person? The Greek word "Krino" used here means to try, condemn and punish as assuming the office of judge.**
- **The Issue of Judging: How you judge will determine your eternal destiny. If you judge to condemn and execute you will be damned.**
- **Jesus' Promise for Judgment: By your standard of measure in judgment it will be returned to you. Verses:***James 2:8, 12-13, Romans 2:1-5*

POINT 2:A *"Why"* and *"How"* for Hypocrisy*Verses 3 &4*

✸ ***Two common sense questions about fault-finding.***

- **Why?Why do they have a critical eye for others and a blind eye to their sins? Possibilities- pride, gain advantage or control, deflection of observation.**
- **How? How can they say, "Let me help" when they are blind and unable to see the speck? The result is that both will become blind.**

POINT 3:Healing a Fault-Finding Hypocrite *Verse 5*

✸ ***Fault-finding hypocrites can heal themselves.***

- **The Three Step Healing Process**
  1. **Examine: They need to honestly examine themselves according to the "Royal Law" the "Perfect Law of Liberty"**
  2. **Repent: They need to repent by changing their mind according to the "New Man" standard in the New Testament. Christ's life is the standard!**
  3. **Heal: They must practice the standard for the new behavior and then in humility help the erroring brother with his "speck" to prove the repentance and build the conviction of truth.**

Conclusions:_____