



Unpopular Opinion

Week 1 - Drop the Stone

Discussion Guide

Everyone makes mistakes. It's very easy to see when people do something wrong. We can spot failure from a mile away. And obviously, the best way to approach the situation is to call them out, embarrass them, or look down on them until they fix themselves...right? Well not so fast, everyone makes mistakes...including you.

1. Think for a moment about an actual judge. What is his or her role? What responsibilities do they have?
2. What are some situations where you are, or were, quick to be judgmental?
3. It's easy to make judgement calls about things we don't struggle with, but we tend to empathize with those who deal with the same things we deal with. What are some things you are quick to judge, and some you would excuse? How does this line up with what Jesus teaches?
4. Jesus challenges conventional thinking when He says, "I don't condemn you, however, go and sin no more." On one hand there is absolute truth, on the other there is grace for the moment. Think of a few situations in your life, and discuss how you can change your mindset from "I hope they get what they deserve" to "How can I help in this circumstance?"
5. Final Thought: Jesus says, "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them." We call this the golden rule. How do you want people to treat you? What does that mean for how you treat others?