

OUR RECORD

ATTENDANCE:	11/18/07	11/25/07
BIBLE CLASS:	204	178
WORSHIP AM:	245	218
WORSHIP PM:	200	175
CONTRIBUTION:	\$9,492.83	\$8,212.45

Count Contribution for December

Lewis Mobley, Bob Battles, Ray Bearden

Adamsville Church of Christ
 4207 Veterans Memorial Dr.
 Adamsville, AL 35005
 Return Service Requested



Please worship with us at the following times:

SUNDAY

Bible Class	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Worship	5:00 PM

TUESDAY (September-May)

Bible Class	10:00 AM
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WEDNESDAY

Bible Class	7:00 PM
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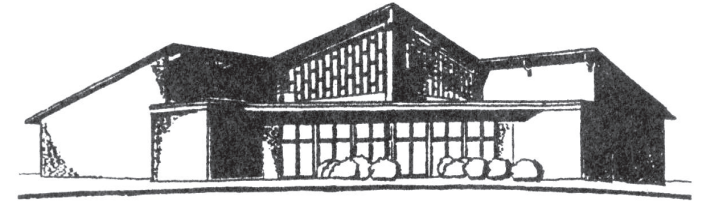
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Judging

“Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge. There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?” (James 4:11-12).

This part of James sounds very much like a portion of Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount. “Who art that judgest another?” inquired James. “Judge not, that ye be judged,” said the Lord. Judging is one of the most common sins among us, but one that doesn’t receive the attention and rebuke most other sins receive. We must never overlook nor minimize any sin warned against in the Bible.

What is judging?

It is not a mere statement of fact; contrariwise, it is jumping to a conclusion; forming a harsh or hasty opinion; censorship; arriving at a decision without weighing the evidence.

Judging deals with one’s motives and intentions, and things that do not appear on the surface. It is not judging to say that a man is intoxicated when the evidence cannot be refuted, but it is judging to go “backstage” in the man’s life and say that he does not intend to be better, or that he is not trying, or to put some other questionable construction upon the man’s thinking. One is often heard to say, “I’ll bet John Doe would act such and such a way if he were thrown into certain circumstances.” This is judging; it is jumping to a conclusion; it is forming a harsh or *hasty* opinion. Such a practice is prohibited in the Scriptures.

One can be lost for judging as well as for other transgressions. This is one of those attitudes that will warp our soul and do much harm to the cause. It must be dealt with both in the pulpit and in other media of teaching.