

# "THE BOOMERANG EFFECT"

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**The command: "Do not judge..." (1a)**

**The consequence: "...or you will be judged" (1b)**

**The manner of judgment (2)**

What goes around comes around

The measure you use

Justice or mercy?

Getting justice from God

**The absurdity of judgmental people (3-5)**

Experts on specks in others' eyes

Oblivious to the log in their own

Application: If you have a problem judging others and want to overcome you must:

- \_\_\_\_\_ it as sin and \_\_\_\_\_

- live each day in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the cross
- ask God to let you \_\_\_\_\_ others as He \_\_\_\_\_ them

# Family Life Groups

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**Main Idea:** Those who use their words as weapons will themselves be wounded.

1) Typically, being judgmental (having a critical, condemning spirit) is the result of pride, presumption, jealousy, unforgiveness, or insecurity. Do you have a problem being judgmental? Can you, with the Holy Spirit’s assistance, determine why?

How can you deal with the root of this issue?

2) Can you think of a time when you experienced the “boomerang effect?” What happened? How did you deal with it?

3) How do we become “gracious” people?