

## The Rock – Boomerang Principle – Pastor Guy Conn – 7-24-22

1. Have you ever thrown a boomerang? Did it come back to you?
2. What does it mean to you to build your life on the Rock of Jesus Christ?

*Matthew 7:1-2 - "Do not judge, or you too will be judged. <sup>2</sup> For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. How have you been doing in letting your light shine before others?*

3. Have you seen the principle in these verses (the boomerang principle) play out in your life?

Top 2 criticisms that non-Christians have of Christians: Hypocritical & Judgmental

4. What's the difference between having good judgement or discernment and being judgmental?
5. How are these sometimes confused in dealing with others?
6. Why is it important to be discerning and use good judgement?
7. Why is it important to not be judgmental?
8. How could not being judgmental impact your relationships with others?
9. Where do you have a tendency to be judgmental?
10. Where do you have a tendency to be hypocritical?
11. If you asked your spouse, parent, or a close friend where you are judgmental or hypocritical what would they say?

*Matthew 7:3-5 - <sup>3</sup> "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? <sup>4</sup> How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? <sup>5</sup> You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.*

12. Have you ever had something in your eye? If so, how did that impact you?
13. Have you experienced that those who are judgmental do the same things they are judgmental of?
14. Have you experienced this tendency in your own life?

*Matthew 7:12 - So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.*

15. How is doing good different from not doing bad?
16. What do you want to be known for, doing good, or not doing bad?
17. How might doing for others the things you want others to do for you change your relationships?
18. How might living this way impact others for God's kingdom?
19. How does the boomerang principle (what you send out comes back) apply to doing good in the lives of others?
20. What specific things can you do each day to live out Matthew 7:12 by doing good to others?
21. What difference has Jesus made in your life? How can you help others experience Jesus' impact in their lives?