JR & KC Answer Questions

Bumby Bible Questions

INTRODUCTION

- Our endeavor in this period as well as in everything we do is just to simply get to God's truth.
- They didn't come together to decide the truth, they came together to determine the truth.
- What does God's word say about that? Not what would be our opinion, but what does God say about those particular issues?

1 Being Judgmental Versus Righteous Judgment

Matthew 7:15–23; Matthew 7:1–2; Jude 1:20–23

- When you have judgmental attitude, that's a disparaging attitude.
- But righteous judgment is utilizing discernment.
- Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits.
- The fact is doctrine does matter. Things from the scriptures do matter, and in fact, God tells us to make a discernment.
- On some have compassion, making a distinction, but on others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.
- If I'm doing something wrong, by all means don't ignore that. Tell me. But here he's saying the style of how to tell them.

2 My Motivation Before and My Actions After

- How can I determine whether I am exercising righteous judgment versus being judgmental? And I say maybe two things. One is before and after.
- What's my motivation in judging or making a discernment there?
- So I think a lot of times it's my motivation before and my actions afterward are very telling in why I did that.
- We don't say we love sin, we don't love sin, but we love the person enough to hopefully get them out of sin.
- Before I exercise judgment of any kind, pause a little bit. Why am I doing this?

3 Why Don't Christians Sue?

1 Corinthians 6:5–6; 1 Corinthians 6:8

- If you want the short answer, we're told not to. And in some sense, that should settle it.
- Is it not so that there is a wise man among you, not even one, who will be able to judge between his brethren. But brother goes to law against brother, and that before unbelievers.
- Isn't there somebody in that congregation that's wise enough?

- The third reason really is that we shouldn't do wrong.
- You don't do anything to your brother that's going to make him want to take you to court.

4 We Should Accept Wrong

1 Corinthians 6:6–7

- But then the second point is that we should accept wrong.
- Why do you not rather accept wrong? And why do you not rather let yourselves be defrauded?
- But God teaches us that, number one, he's in control, he can handle this situation here, and that sometimes we have to just let things go, even if I've been wronged.
- But there's a greater cause here. There's the cause of Christ in his kingdom.
- Love means that we have to sacrifice.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Let's strive toward our attitude and our actions toward one another. That we are doing nothing to hinder the cause of Christ and to hinder our relationship and our ability to be able to love and work and worship together.**

MY NOTES