SONS OF THE MOST HIGH ADMINISTER KINGDOM JUDGMENT, Pt 2 - Lk 6:37 012421A

INTRODUCTION

- 1. Jesus is telling us how, as sons of the Most High, we are to administer His rule among men Lk 6:35-38. Imitate Father, replicate Jesus' dealings w/ men/enemies: compassionate, kind, merciful.
- 2. Positions of authority akin to judges in Ps 82:6 startled by $\underline{v37}$.
 - i. <u>Jms 4:11-12</u> we are not THE Judge Jesus is. Do not uproot tares [Mat 13:28-30].
 - ii. Judge w/ righteous judgment, bias to mercy. Tares can turn into sons.
 - iii. We do not see men according to flesh [2C 5:16] but in light of eternity.
- 3. We are authorized representatives of gospel of King Jesus: revelation of kindness [Tit 3:4]; looking to God to grant repentance [2T 2:24-26].
 - i. Not like Phars censorious, harsh, critical [Mt 23:23].
 - ii. Discerning w/ wisdom [2C 5:10-11]
- 4. We are not to pre-empt Final Judgment *do not judge* [Lk 6:37]

1st: If We Would Judge Graciously We Must Be Judged in Grace

- 1. Importance of justification: Rbrt Reymond: Jn 5:24; 1Jn 4:18; Rm 8:35-39
- 2. While being judged by God in Jesus, look at others & see them coming to jeudgment.
- 3. If we have truly been forgiven, the proof will be seen in our willingness to forgive; to be kind; to be merciful.
- 4. As conscience is evaluating others, never forget the evaluation God has given to us in Jesus what has made you to differ extend Gospel Love.

2nd: Do Not Condemn And You Will Not Be Condemned

- 1. condemn courtroom: verdict of guilt, worthy of punishment: prohibits censorious, fault-finding, critical attitude
- 2. <u>Lk 6:7</u> how cld Phars be so void of compassion?
 - 0i. Their zeal to be right wa greater thqan their love for God & neighbor. Jesus threatened their status; exposed ignorance & errors they hated to be thot of as "wrong" & are zelaous to find Jesus "wrong".
 - ii. *accuse* = syn of *condemn* in v37: charge of guilt in court Sanhed
 - iii. Zeal to be right -> loss of compassion no care for saving life [v9]
 - iv. Not having exp'd God's mercy, they didn't recognize mercy but interp'd Jesus in rln to themselves as a threat wld kill Him [v11]: pride death
- 3. Phars were orthodox in many ways. Paul sides w/ Phars [A23] Jesus indicts censoriousness: being right & knowing it -> pride & critical spirit.
- 4. We represent God's gov't w/ discernment & in our disposition, manner.

3rd: Pardon And You Will Be Pardoned

- 1. *pardon* = set free from. Opposite of condemn; not press charges.
- 2. pardon = synonym of *release* & *set free* in <u>Lk 4:18-19</u> the message from God's court be reconciled! 2C 5:20

4th: The Principle of Reciprocity

- 1. Lk 6:32-34 What credit is that to you? [3x] If we live accroding to the sinner's ethic, we receive what sinners reciprocate.
- 2. If we live according to kingdom ethic; you will not be judged; you will not be condemned; & you will be pardoned. Kingdom reciprocity v38b
- 3. If we are not gracious, do we know God's grace? Mat 6:12-15; 18:21-35

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4. Do not judge & do not condemn = love your enemies stated negatively.

Applic #1 Take Every Opportunity to Administer Kingdom Judgment

- 1. Every evaluation we make is an opportunity to display kingdom judgment.
- 2. Judge others graciously as we've been graciously judged by God in Christ.
- 3. We're liberated from the wranglings of men's courts we are justified in the courtroom of God. Live in grace & be gracious. Lk 6:35-37