

“THE WRONG PRESCRIPTION”

(Part 1)

JOHN 8:1-11

We often distort the facts around us as we process what we're seeing through the limited scope of our own eyesight. The same can be true when we approach the Bible and misinterpret the Word of God and thus make it the word of man. We mishandle scripture and distort theology.

FAULTY SPIRITUAL ASSESSMENTS

① We more quickly see the _____ of others (8:3)

This typically occurs due to one very sizable contributing factor we all possess: _____.

When you too quickly identify the faults of others without first identifying your own, you've given yourself a free pass.

② We classify sin by _____ (8:4)

The world does this when asked this question: Would you consider yourself a good person? We immediately _____ ourselves with others.

The _____ sins remain in a category while the little sins have a slightly larger grouping

Why do we _____ sins? Perhaps it provides some measure of comfort and allows us to think our sins aren't as serious, aren't as bad as others.

③ We _____ other's sins harsher (8:5)

While the Law may prescribe the _____, it also promotes a _____; one that had yet to be followed.

Wisdom necessitates _____ deliberation, not undiscerning acceleration.

④ We hastily _____ others' question (8:6)

Yet every word, every piece of advice, every offhand comment will be replayed before God as we stand there one day (Matthew 12:36).

You don't need to have an answer to every question. There may be a _____ motive lying behind that necessity to speak.

CONCLUSION

How is it that we arrive at these faulty assessments? Here are some of the influences that man looks to:

◇ What a c _____ says.

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Whatever cupboard you reach into, there remains a bias of some sort. So what do you do? Where do you turn? How do you resolve this? Why not try the C _____?

The Scriptures before you; the Spirit within you. That's quite the collection toward making right spiritual assessments and avoiding wrong spiritual prescriptions.