



Grades 2-3 • Unit 15 • Lesson 143

Jesus Warns Against Judging

Matthew 7:1-5, 7:12-14, 7:24-27

Jesus said we should build our lives on his words. Use the clues to complete the crossword puzzle.

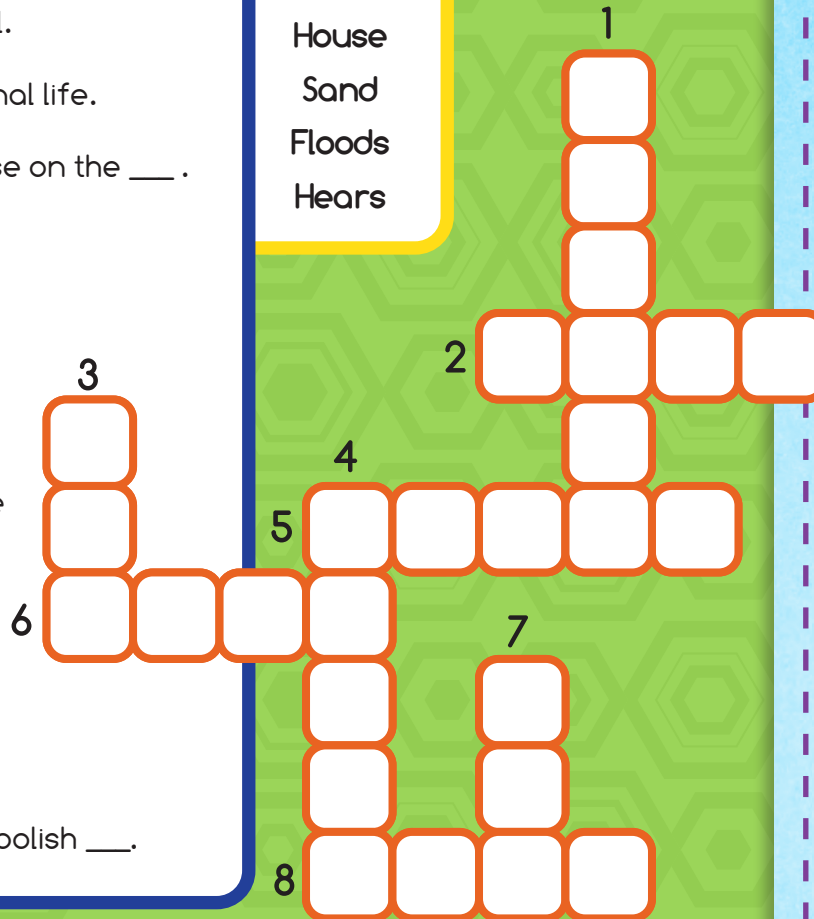
Across

2. The wise man built his house on the ____.
5. When the storms and floods came, the wise man's ____ did not fall.
6. The narrow ____ leads to eternal life.
8. The foolish man built his house on the ____.

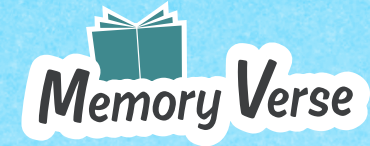
Down

1. When the rain and ____ came, the foolish man's house fell.
3. Take the ____ out of your own eye (confess your sin) before judging someone else's sin.
4. Whoever ____ Jesus' words and does them will be like the wise man.
7. Whoever does not follow Jesus' words will be like the foolish ____.

Log
Man
Gate
Rock
House
Sand
Floods
Hears



Name _____



Use the code to fill in the missing vowels.



F__r by him __ll things were
cr__at__d, in heaven and on earth,
visible and __nvis__bl__, whether
thr__nes or dominions or rulers or
__thorit__es—all things w__re
created through him and for him.

And he is before all th__ngs, and
in him all things hold together.

Colossians 1:16-17

What You Heard *In the Word*

- Jesus taught that there is a right way and a wrong way to judge. Before we can help other people with their sin, we must first correct our own attitude toward sin.
- Jesus described two gates (wide and narrow) and two foundations (sand and rock) to show us the two paths in life. Only the narrow gate of trust in Jesus and the firm foundation of God's Word lead to eternal life.

OutWord *For Family Discussion*

Suppose your classmate says Christians can't call anything a sin because that's judging, and Jesus said not to judge. **What could you say?**

Jesus didn't say we should never judge, but he did teach that there's a right way and a wrong way to judge. We should not judge other people based on our own ideas of right and wrong or when we're doing the same things we say are wrong. But we are supposed to discern right and wrong so we can be obedient to God. The Bible is very clear that disobedience to God's laws is sin. These laws include things like lying, stealing, dishonoring parents, and wanting what other people have. When we tell others what God calls sin, that is not judging—it is sharing an important truth! Until we realize what sin is and how it separates us from our perfect and holy God, we won't understand why Jesus had to come to earth to live a perfect life and die on the cross. Because of Jesus' death, we can confess our sins and trust in him to be saved from the punishment our sin deserves. We become a child of God with the promise of eternal life in heaven. That is the good news of the Bible, and it would be a sin not to share it with others.

Justin & Jessie

"Mrs. Pringle gave Emily's class a lesson in etiquette today," Mom explained.

Emily shook her head. "No, Mommy. It's not edcut, it's politeness."

"That's the same thing," said Jeremy with his mouth full of chicken.

"Mrs. Pringle said it's politeness week at school."



What did Emily learn this week? Will she ever make a politeness mistake again? Find out in "Mrs. Pringle's Politeness Policy."

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