

THE OBJECT LESSONS CHANNEL!



Got a Log in your Eye?

- Best for High School ages •

Main Point: Critical of others? Judgmental? Jesus has an object lesson for that!

Bible Story Suggestion: Take the log out of your eye. Matthew 7:1-5

"Do not judge, or you also will be judged. In the same way you judge others, you will be judged. By the measure you use, you will be measured.

"Why do you examine the tiny speck of sawdust in your brother's eye, yet don't see the plank in your own eye? How can you say, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in yours? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye! You'll then see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye."

Materials Needed: You'll be making a paper log attached to the bill of a hat. You need a half-used roll of paper towels to serve as a form to help you assemble the log. You need markers, brown paper, paint, tape, a glue gun, scissors and a cap that you don't mind gluing the log to. All this is shown in the video.

Object Lesson: To present this object lesson, start by reading the first paragraph of the Scripture passage above. Add any of your own thoughts and commentary. When ready to read the rest of the passage, wear the hat. This will be good for a laugh, of course, and you'll have everyone's attention as you continue and conclude your talk.

Regarding commentary, here's something you might like to use: In Matthew 20:25-28, Jesus contrasts the way the world thinks about power and prestige with the humble servanthood Christians are to exhibit. The way the world operates is not like the way God operates. This truth applies to judging others with a critical eye. If we need to correct someone, we do it in love and as an encourager, not as a harsh judge.

Link to the Object Lesson Demonstration Video: <https://youtu.be/DWaFVum7kpU>

Activity Page: Chip's Log

Kids work on these privately. Lead a discussion following. If there are more pressing issues facing your group, consider replacing the topics on the page with your own.

Chip's Log



For the purpose of this private and anonymous assessment, you are identified as Chip. We hate to tell you this, Chip, but there's a good chance you have at least one log in your eye. Rate yourself in these categories:

Average hours a day on social media

None About 1 2 3 4 5 or more

Average hours a week with God (prayer, youth group, etc.)

My first time here 1 2 3 4 5 or more

← This is a reasonable excuse!

Has the youth group leader given you an area of responsibility?

No

YES!

How'd you do? If something above has touched a nerve, a good thing to do is talk about it. We'll have a discussion as soon as everyone is finished.