

# Christian Leadership Reflections

## *Personal Reflection Guide*

### THE PLANK IN OUR OWN EYE

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- 1) Paul told the Corinthians to stop judging the people outside the church. Has this message been internalized by you and the others who represent your ministry? Is your personal tone or that of your ministry more judgmental and critical towards the unchurched world or more loving and sacrificially engaged to bring salvation to it?
- 2) Conduct a personal self-examination. Be objective and admit to yourself those sins that perhaps you've passed off as not really being sins. What is your plan to deal with them?
- 3) Is your church or ministry doing anything that might be driving people away? If yes, make changes right away! How could you help the congregation or staff become more comfortable with people who are not like them?
- 4) Who do you surround yourself with? Are you attracting the despised and marginalized people of our society? Do they want to be around you, as they would want to be around Jesus? How can you become as attractive to them as Jesus was?
- 5) Are you too individualistic in your view of sin? Learn about corporate sin, such as a social structure that oppresses the poor and needy or a pervasive societal attitude of self-absorption. What might your role be in moving towards change?
- 6) What are your blind spots to sin? Seek help in discovering them, and then repent and move on with God's blessing.