



Encounters With Jesus

A Woman Caught
in Sin

John 8:1-11

¹ but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ² Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. ³ The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst ⁴ they said to him, “Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery.

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⁵ Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" ⁶ This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. ⁷ And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." ⁸ And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground.

John 8:1-11

⁹ But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. ¹⁰ Jesus stood up and said to her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?” ¹¹ She said, “No one, Lord.” And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.”

Sin “Lays a Trap for Us”

John 8:4–5 ⁴ they said to him, “Teacher, this woman has been **caught in the act of adultery.** ⁵ Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?”

If we desire to change, we must be honest about our sin.

A person wearing a white robe is shown from the waist up, holding a large, unrolled scroll. The background is a soft-focus landscape with hills and trees. The text is overlaid on the image.

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All sin will be brought to life. (*Luke 12:2-5*)

1 Cor 4:5 “... who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart...”

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Sin is Destructive (*Gal 6:7-8*)

Gal 6:7–8 ⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

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Sin leads to death. (*James 1:14-15, Rom 6:23*)

James 1:14–15 “...but each one is tempted when, by his own evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.”

No One is Without Sin

John 8:7 And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, “Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her.”

Romans 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,



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John 3:16–17 16 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.



Jesus Calls Us to Repentance

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Our relationship with Christ is based on the mercy and grace He gives us, but we must “turn” from our sin.

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Romans 6:13 Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

If we desire real spiritual change in our lives, we must continue to turn away from the “self-life” and turn to Christ.