

# Throwing Stones

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1. Discuss what it must have been like when the scribes and Pharisees interrupted Jesus' teaching to ask about the woman caught in adultery (v. 1-6).
2. What answer could Jesus have given that could have been used as ammunition to accuse Him?
3. What do you think Jesus was communicating in verse 7?
4. What from verse 11 gives Jesus' stand on sin? What should be *our* attitude toward sin?
5. Why do you think Jesus referred to Himself as the "light"?
6. How does a person "judge according to the flesh" (v. 15)? In what ways had people judged Jesus?
7. What do verses 23 and 24 say about salvation? Why do some people not like this claim?

<sup>1</sup>But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives.

<sup>2</sup>Now early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him; and He sat down and taught them. <sup>3</sup>Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery. And when they had set her in the midst, "they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act. <sup>4</sup>Now Moses, in the law, commanded us that such should be stoned. But what do You say?" <sup>5</sup>This they said, testing Him, that they might have something of which to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down and wrote on the ground with His finger, as though He did not hear.

<sup>6</sup>So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, "He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first." <sup>7</sup>And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. <sup>8</sup>Then those who heard it, being convicted by their conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest even to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. <sup>9</sup>When Jesus had raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, "Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you?"

<sup>10</sup>She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said to her, "Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more."

<sup>11</sup>Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

<sup>12</sup>The Pharisees therefore said to Him, "You bear witness of Yourself; Your witness is not true."

<sup>13</sup>Jesus answered and said to them, "Even if I bear witness of Myself, My witness is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going; but you do not know where I come from and where I am going. <sup>14</sup>You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. <sup>15</sup>And yet if I do judge, My judgment is true; for I am not alone, but I am with the Father who sent Me. <sup>16</sup>It is also written in your law that the testimony of two men is true. <sup>17</sup>I am One who bears witness of Myself, and the Father who sent Me bears witness of Me."

<sup>18</sup>Then they said to Him, "Where is Your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither Me nor My Father. If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also."

<sup>19</sup>These words Jesus spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one laid hands on Him, for His hour had not yet come.

<sup>20</sup>Then Jesus said to them again, "I am going away, and you will seek Me, and will die in your sin. Where I go you cannot come."

<sup>21</sup>So the Jews said, "Will He kill Himself, because He says, 'Where I go you cannot come'?"

<sup>22</sup>And He said to them, "You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. <sup>23</sup>Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins."

<sup>24</sup>Then they said to Him, "Who are You?"

And Jesus said to them, "Just what I have been saying to you from the beginning. <sup>25</sup>I have many things to say and to judge concerning you, but He who sent Me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I heard from Him."

# Read: John 8:27-59

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**Monday**

27-32 — What did Jesus mean by “lift up the Son of Man”? What can you do to increase what you do to please the Father? How have you seen the truth “make you free?”

**Tuesday**

33-38 — Who have the Jews been in bondage to throughout history? What is the bondage of sin like? How does the Son make people free from sin? What are some things that you have noticed people do because they learned them from a parent?

**Wednesday**

39-43 — Who was Jesus implying was the father of these Jews? What did He indicate as proof of who their father was? What are some ways that we can show love for Jesus? Why do you think some people are not able to listen to Jesus?

**Thursday**

44-48 — Who was their father? How do you think they took Jesus' accusation? The devil is a murderer and liar; how does he teach others to do those things? What was the Jews' response to Jesus?

**Friday**

49-53 — Why do you think that they accused Jesus of having a demon? What are some areas of your life that you desire to turn over for God's glory? Who did Jesus “make Himself out to be”?

**Saturday**

54-58 — In what ways did Jesus honor the Father? How can you better honor the Father? Why do you think the Jews thought Him to be less than 50? What was Jesus claiming in verse 58? What did the Jews want to do to Jesus?

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