

# The Gospel of John: That You Might Believe

## “The Adulterous Woman”

(John 8:1-11)

### Introduction:

1. Jesus came to Earth revealing to us the character of God.
2. (John 1:14; Colossians 2:9).
3. John records an encounter that Jesus has with a sinful woman.
4. This encounter brings into focus some of the character traits of God.

### I. The Story

- A. A woman was caught in the very act of adultery and was taken to Jesus.
- B. This was intended as a trap.
  1. Roman law forbade Jews to exercise capital punishment.
  2. The law of Moses demanded that adulterers be stoned to death
- C. Jesus challenges those who brought this woman to him by calling upon the one without sin to cast the first stone.
  1. Jesus is not setting aside the law, nor is he advocating a non-judgmental approach to sin.
    - a. First, the law demanded that both the guilty parties be stoned to death (Lev. 20:10).
    - b. The stoning was to begin with the witnesses (Deut. 17:6-7).
    - c. He is not arguing that one must be sinless to condemn sin, but exposing his knowledge of their wicked scheme.

### II. Lessons Learned From This Encounter

- A. Jesus knew the law and was in command of every situation (Mark 1:22; Psalm 119:105; 119:11).
- B. Jesus demands purity (8:11; Titus 2:11-12).
- C. Jesus showed compassion (8:9-10).
- D. Jesus unconditionally loved her (8:11).
  1. He expressed his love first then challenged her to change.
  2. The church sometimes demands change first then we express our love.

### Conclusion:

1. This woman had to have left this encounter with Jesus bewildered and relieved.
2. I hope she learned her lesson, accepted the second chance that was given to her, and changed her behavior.
3. We too, need to acknowledge the love of God and resolve to live better.

## The Gospel Of John

“These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name”

(John 20:31).

### Responses To

#### The Identity of Jesus

- The Identity of Jesus
- The Woman at the Well
- The Believing Nobleman
- The Jews
- The Five Thousand
- The Adulterous Woman
- The Blind Man
- Lazarus
- Pilate
- Thomas
- Peter

#### The Fourfold Witness

- John The Baptist
- The Works of Jesus
- The Father
- The Scriptures

#### The Claims of Jesus

- I Am The Bread of Life
- I Am The Light of the World
- I Am The Door
- I Am The Good Shepherd
- I Am The Resurrection and Life
- I Am The Way, Truth, & Life
- I Am The True Vine

#### Today's Lessons:

- A.M. - *The Adulterous Woman*
- P.M. - *I Am The Light of the World*