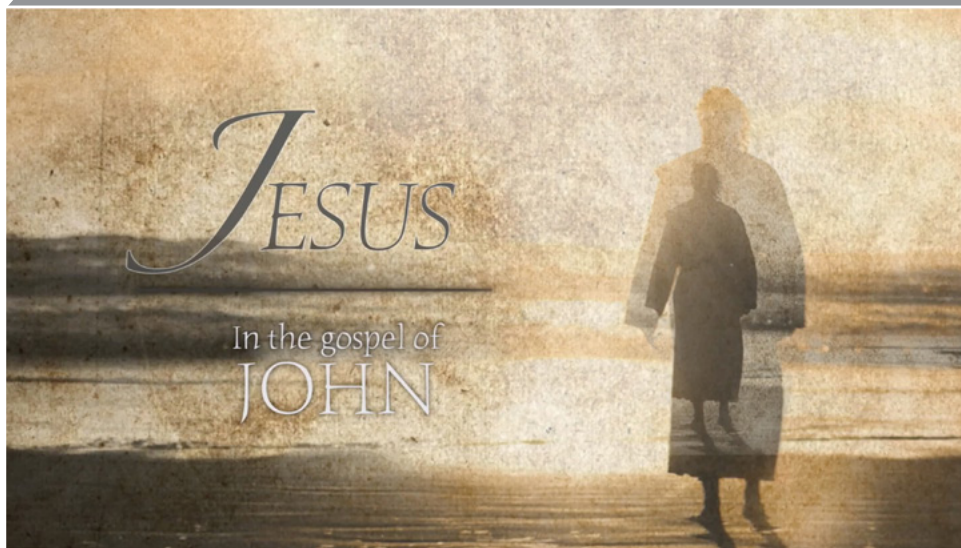




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## Throwing Stones

JOHN 8:2-12

*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." And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. 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. Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more." (John 8:7-11)*

At one time or another, we have all encountered stones. We've stepped on stones, picked up stones, and threw stones.

The Feast of Tabernacles is over. People are still meandering around the Temple. Jesus makes his way into the Court of the Women and begins teaching (John 7:53-8:2). It's where the treasury is located (John 8:20; Mark 12:42). And the stone throwing begins.

I. Jesus chooses to teach in a \_\_\_\_\_ part of the \_\_\_\_\_ area, John 8:2.

- A. An outer area where \_\_\_\_\_ were permitted to gather.
- B. He \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. He was teaching days after the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, John 7:14.

Precedent for us is in public places, Acts 3:1; Acts 5:12; Acts 9:20. Starting in Jerusalem, to Judea, to Samaria, and throughout the world, Acts 1:8. Our Vision is to go from here to there, led by the Spirit of God.

We should not be afraid of public places.

II. Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_ in a public standoff, John 8:3-5.

A. Religious rules came to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Moses, John 8:5.

1. If Jesus freed her, He would be accused of violating \_\_\_\_\_ Law.

2. If Jesus demanded she die, He would be violating \_\_\_\_\_ law, John 18:31.

B. Religious rulers \_\_\_\_\_ the woman, Leviticus 20:10; Deuteronomy 22:22.

C. Religious rulers \_\_\_\_\_ their very \_\_\_\_\_.

*If caught in the act of adultery, they would have to see the act in progress and bring the man and woman.*

We should expect persecution, John 15:20.

III. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ everyone's heart, John 8:6-11.

A. Whatever Jesus wrote, He \_\_\_\_\_ against the religious rulers, *katagrapheini*, John 8:6.

B. Whoever is without sin can throw the first stone, John 8:7; Romans 3:20-23.

Jesus put these religious rulers out of the stone throwing business.

C. When confronted, their \_\_\_\_\_ was pricked, John 8:9.

1. "They went away" or *they kept going out*.
2. They \_\_\_\_\_ their stones and \_\_\_\_\_ away.
3. Eldest to younger.
4. Wisdom and understanding vs. energy and a cause.

D. When dealing with the woman, Jesus said \_\_\_\_\_ the habit of \_\_\_\_\_, John 8:11.

We must make sure we can see our sin, 2 Samuel 12:1-5; Matthew 7:3-5.

IV. Jesus is the Light of the world, John 8:12.

A. No darkness.

B. Light to a \_\_\_\_\_ path, Ephesians 5:8.



*Temple lights illuminated the Temple. A wonderful scene. But greater than the Temple lights, is the Light of the world, Jesus.*

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