

October 14, 2018
John 7:53-8:11

THE SYMPATHETIC SAVIOR

I. Introduction:

II. Jesus: The Sympathetic Savior:

A. The Sinful Woman: (Vs. 1-3)

¹ but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ² At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them. ³ The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in **a woman caught in adultery**. They made her stand before the group John 8:1-3

- Her Sin:
- Her Shame:
- Her Sentence:

B. The Scheming Critics: (Vs. 3-9)

³ **The teachers of the law and the Pharisees** brought in a woman caught in adultery. **They** made her stand before the group ⁴ and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery.⁵ In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?"⁶ **They** were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him. But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. ⁷ When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

⁸ Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground. ⁹ At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there.” John 8:3-9

- Their Plans:

- Their Problems:

C. The Sympathetic Savior (Vs. 9-11)

⁹ At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. ¹⁰ Jesus straightened up and asked her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?” ¹¹ “No one, sir,” she said. “Then neither do I condemn you,” Jesus declared. **“Go now and leave your life of sin.”** John 8:9-11

- Jesus Faced Her:

- Jesus Forgave Her:

III. Conclusion And Application:

POINTS TO PONDER
Week of October 15th
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Open It

1. *What sins do most people think they are incapable of committing?
2. What activities or behavior do you consider to be immoral?
3. What do you think is the biggest challenge to marriages today?

Explore It

4. Where did Jesus go? (8:1)
5. What did Jesus sit down to do in the temple courts? (8:2)
6. Whom did the Pharisees bring before Jesus? (8:3-4)
7. *What did the Law of Moses say should happen to the woman caught in adultery? (8:5)
8. Why did the Pharisees bring the woman before Jesus? (8:6)
9. How did Jesus answer the Pharisees' question? (8:6-8)
10. *Why did Jesus issue a challenge to the Pharisees? (8:7)
11. How did the Pharisees respond to Jesus' challenge? (8:9)
12. What did Jesus ask the woman? (8:10)

13. *What did Jesus tell the woman to do? (8:11)

Get It

14. *Which sins do we tend to categorize as "big" sins (those that are worse than all others)?

15. Why do we rush to point out other people's sin?

16. Which sins do you think God classifies as "big" sins?

17. How do we treat people who have fallen into one of the so-called "big" sins?

18. *How should we treat people who have sinned?

19. About what do you tend to be self-righteous?

20. What should we do when we've sinned?

Apply It

21. How can you challenge a friend or family member caught in sin to sin no more?

22. Away from what bad habit or tendency do you need to take the first step today?

23. *What self-righteous attitude will you ask God to change in your prayers this week?