
GRACE EXPERIENCED NEVER LEAVES US UNCHANGED.

Jesus & Affairs

- People pour in to hear Jesus teach – 8:1-2
- Scribes and Pharisees bring a woman caught in the act of adultery and place her in the **middle** of everyone – 8:3
- They try to pit Jesus against **Moses** – 8:4-5
- Jesus stoops down and begins to write on the **ground** as they continue to press him for an answer – 8:6-7a
- Jesus’ answer: **Righteous** judgment must be **consistent** – 8:7b-8

Leviticus 20:10

“If a man commits adultery with the wife of his neighbor, both the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.”

Numbers 35:30

“If anyone kills a person, the murderer shall be put to death on the evidence of witnesses. But no person shall be put to death on the testimony of one witness.”

Deuteronomy 17:6

“On the evidence of two witnesses or of three witnesses the one who is to die shall be put to death; a person shall not be put to death on the evidence of one witness.”

Deuteronomy 19:15

“A single witness shall not suffice against a person for any crime or for any wrong in connection with any offense that he has committed. Only on the evidence of two witnesses or of three witnesses shall a charge be established.”

- Their response: Walked away one by one – 8:9
- Jesus’ response: *“Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?”* – 8:10
- Her reply: *“She said, “No one, Lord.”* – 8:11a
- Jesus’ command: *“Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.”* – 8:11b

Takeaways

- 1) Jesus is the **light** that **exposes** our public shame and private regrets:
“Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”” – 8:12
- 2) Jesus’ **compassion** is not separate from His **commands**.
- 3) Jesus calls us to **consistency**.
- 4) We should run to Jesus instead of from Him.

Isaiah 42:3

“a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench.”