



# WOMAN CAUGHT IN ADULTERY

## Jesus Restores the Fallen

Meeting Messiah – Women Changed by Jesus

# Series Summary

- ◆ *Woman of Samaria – Jesus Rescues the Outcast*
- ◆ *Mighty Widows – Jesus Redeems the Afflicted*
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- ◆ *Women that Followed – Jesus Rewards the Faithful*

# Agenda

- ♦ **“Moses commanded... but what sayest thou?”**
- ♦ **Who is worthy to cast the first stone?**
- ♦ **Consciencences finally pricked**
- ♦ **All stand guilty before him**
- ♦ **“He stooped down and wrote on the ground”**
- ♦ **“Go and sin no more”**

# “Moses Commmanded...”

“... but what sayest thou?”

**Lev 20:10** And **the man** that committeth adultery with another man's wife, even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, **the adulterer** and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

**Deu 22:22** If **a man** be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then they shall both of them die, both **the man that lay with the woman**, and the woman: so shalt thou put away evil from Israel.

# Who is Worthy?

Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, **unto thy gates**, even that man or that woman... At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, **shall he that is worthy of death be put to death**; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death. **The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him** to put him to death, and afterward the hands of all the people. So thou shalt put the evil away from among you. **Deut. 17:5–7**

**Ye judge after the flesh**; I judge no man. And yet if I judge, **my judgment is true: for I am not alone**, but I and the Father that sent me. It is also written in your law, that **the testimony of two men is true**. I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me. **John 8:15–18**

# Consciences Finally Pricked

“And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one.”

**John 8:9**

**Have we seen them react this way  
anywhere else?**

# Consciences Finally Pricked

Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk. And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, **Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites?**... When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

**Matthew 22:15–22**

# All Stand Guilty Before Him

The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven. He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red. And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times? A wicked and **adulterous generation** seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

**Matthew 16:1-4**



# All Stand Guilty Before Him

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“For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.”

**Matthew 12:40–42**

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**Emphasis on  
judgement  
after  
resurrection.**

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## Redemption Given at Judgement Seat Because:

- Men repented at the teachings of Jonah
- A woman came to hear the teachings of Solomon

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“There be three things which are too wonderful for me, yea, four which I know not: The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maid. **Such is the way of an adulterous woman; she eateth, and wipeth her mouth, and saith, I have done no wickedness.**”

**Proverbs 30:18–20**

# He Stooped Down and Wrote on the Ground

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings... O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters. Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.

**Jeremiah 17:9–14**

# He Stooped Down and Wrote on the Ground

**Luk 10:19–20** Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather **rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.**

**Heb 12:22–24** But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, **To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven,** and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

# He Stooped Down and Wrote on the Ground

**“stooped down”** – **kuptō** – to stoop down; bend forward; to bow the head

## parakuptō

- to stoop to a thing in order to look at it
- to look at with head bowed forward
- to look into with the body bent
- to stoop and look into

**Luke 24:12** – Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and **stooping down**, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.

**John 20:5** – And he **stooping down**, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.

**John 20:11** – But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she **stooped down**, and looked into the sepulchre...

# Go and Sin No More

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a **discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart**... Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was **in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.**

Hebrews 4:12–16



# Go and Sin No More

## Psalm 51

**1** Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. **2** Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. **3** For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. **4** Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest. **5** Behold, I was shapen in

iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me. **6** Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom. **7** Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow ... **15** O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise. **16** For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering. **17** The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

# Go and Sin No More

- ◆ In our repentance, God desires a broken and contrite heart.
- ◆ God desires a spirit that acknowledges wrong has been done, not one that seeks to justify the sin in any manner.
- ◆ We must seek our Lord Jesus Christ in the midst of the ecclesia (called out ones) instead of departing from him.

# LESSONS

## Jesus Rescues the Outcast

Christ wants to deliver us from our sins;  
not cast the first stone.

Be wary of glorying in others' sins.

Let the wisdom of Christ's teachings bring  
you to true repentance.

Draw nigh to Christ in times of sin and let  
his light discern darkness in your heart.

True repentance requires a broken spirit  
that wants to be cleansed.

