

Jesus Among Us 4.0

John 8:1-12

Invitation...

- A life lived WITH Jesus (relationship)
- Becoming LIKE Jesus (transformation)
- REVEALING Jesus (extension of God)

John 8:1-3

But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ² Now early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him; and He sat down and taught them. ³ Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery. And when they had set her in the midst,

John 8:4-6

⁴ they said to Him, “Teacher, this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act. ⁵ Now Moses, in the law, commanded us that such should be stoned. But what do You say?” ⁶ This they said, testing Him, that they might have *something* of which to accuse Him.

John 6:5-6

- **said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?”⁶ But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do.**
- **Tests are a way of life for a disciple of Jesus...**

John 10:10

- **¹⁰ The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.**

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John 8:7-8

⁷ So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, “He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first.”

⁸ And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground.

John 8:9

⁹ Then those who heard *it*, being convicted by *their* conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest *even* to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.

John 8:10-11

¹⁰ When Jesus had raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, “Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you?” ¹¹ She said, “No one, Lord.” And Jesus said to her, “Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more.”

John 8:12

¹² Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, “I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness but have the light of life.”

- **This they said, testing Him, that they might have *something* of which to accuse Him.**
- kategoriao - “to accuse before a judge; to make an accusation.”

Galatians 3:13

¹³ Christ paid the price to free us from the curse that the laws in Moses' Teachings bring by becoming cursed instead of us. Scripture says, "Everyone who is hung on a tree is cursed."

Accusation
steals a person's identity

- **³ Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery.**
- **And Jesus said to her, “Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more.”**
- Jesus had a new life for her, but if she would have received the punishment the pharisees were requiring of her in that moment...she would have never heard Jesus' invitation.

**Accusation
steals my destiny**

- **Neither do I condemn you; then go and sin no more.**
- Jesus frees the woman of accusation prior to her making any changes in her life.
- When we recognize that within that place of accusation, that this is NOT who God created us to be, that is when we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to move into action that takes us to who He created us to be.

Galatians 3:14

¹⁴ Christ paid the price so that the blessing promised to Abraham would come to all the people of the world through Jesus Christ and we would receive the promised Spirit through faith.

**Accusation
that we partner with
blinds us to our own sin**

- **⁷ So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, “He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first.”**
- Scribes and Pharisees because of their condemnation for the woman, and their heart to accuse Jesus...had become completely blind to their own sin.

Matthew 7:3-5

And why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me remove the speck from your eye'; and look, a plank *is* in your own eye? Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

- **Then those who heard *it*, being convicted by *their* conscience, went out one by one**
- elegcho - “a conviction to bring to light, to expose”
- syneidesis - “the soul distinguishing between what is morally good and bad, a prompting.”

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- **Accusation steals a person's identity.**
- **Accusation steals my destiny.**
- **Accusation that we partner with blinds us to our own sin.**
- **Accusations are roadblocks to people receiving Jesus.**

- **Kingdom destinies are released in my life and the lives of others!**
- **When we are quick to see our own sin, we get to continually partner with what Jesus is doing in my life and others' lives.**
- **Roadblocks are removed and people come to Jesus!!**