

We Are THAT Church: Grace and Truth
Week #3

## **Sermon Notes**

John 13:35 (ESV) John 1:14 (ESV)

**Grace: Relentless Acceptance Truth: Realistic Accountability** 

John 8:2-13 (ESV)

## We Are THAT Church

- We Expect it to be Messy

Keep the Conversation Going

- We focus on Direction, not Perfection

Jesus only condemned people who condemned people

We Trust God, We Love People and We Change the World

Trust God + Love People = Change the World

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1) People focused on truth worry that others will get away with something, while those focused on grace worry that they might make others feel bad about themselves. Which better describes you? How does that affect the way you think about God and faith?
- 2) In your interactions with Christians, have you mostly experienced judgment, a wishywashy avoidance of biblical truth, or a mix of truth and grace? Explain.
- **3)** Read John 4:1–26. What do you find most startling about this story? What about it makes you uncomfortable? What about it is reassuring?
- **4)** Read John 8:1–11. Talk about how Jesus navigates the tension between truth and grace in verses 10 and 11. Is it significant that Jesus tells the woman he doesn't condemn her *before* he commands her to leave her life of sin? Why or why not?
- **5)** What's an example of a potential Messy Moment that God may be asking you to step into in the near future? Ask others to pray for you and this upcoming opportunity.