

I. The Danger of a Condemning Heart (vv.7:53-8:6)

II. Jesus' Example of Love and Truth (vv.8:6-11)

James 4:12

There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the One who is able to save and to destroy; but who are you who judge your neighbor?

III. The Challenge We Face In Confronting Sin

Colossians 4:5-6

Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of every opportunity. Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person.

Galatians 6:1-2

Brethren, if anyone is caught in any trespass, you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; each one looking to yourself, so that you too will not be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.

Matthew 7:1-5

Do not judge so that you will not be judged. For in the way you judge, you will be judged; and by your standard of measure, it will be measured to you. Why do you look at the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck of your eye,' and behold, the log is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.

How Jesus Addressed the Lady:

- 1. Dignity
- 2. Compassion
- 3. Frankness
- 4. Grace
- 5. Hope

Two Challenges:

- 1. Search your heart about the spirit and attitude in which you view and confront sin in the lives of others.
- 2. Seek to deal with others as Jesus did.

