

STONES/GLASS HOUSES

THIS TEXT...

John 7:53-8:11

BROKEN WORLD MARRED BY SIN

John 7:53-8:4 - 53They went each to his own house, 1but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives... Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them... The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst 4they said to him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery.

- 1) WITHDRAW TO PRAY
- 2) THE POOL OF SESSUS
 - UNBOOTHERED BY CONTROVERSY
- 3-4) SCRIBES = SACK OF ALL TRADES IN LAW
 - "TEACHER" = MOCKING REVERENCE

BROKENNESS/SIN ON FULL DISPLAY

EARLY MORNING BLISS INTERRUPTED BY NOISE, SIN, + HYPOCRISY

WOMAN: ADULTERY, CLEAR SIN FORBIDDEN IN GOD'S EYES, CULTURE'S EYES

MBN: PLOTTING WHILE SESSUS PRAYING - WE WILL EXAMINE THEIR SIN...

SIN HAS ENTERED YOUR LIFE IT DOES NO GOOD TO BEAT AROUND THE BUSH - OMISSION/COMMISSION, DONE TO YOU/DONE BY YOU

How could they...? EASY! SIN! All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. How could I...? EASY! SIN!

IF YOU DON'T ACCEPT THAT YOU AND EVERYONE AROUND YOU HAS SIN TO REPENT OF, YOU WILL BE MISERABLE

IT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN LOOK AT THE WORLD THAT MAKES SENSE. - HUMILITY/UNDERSTANDING

It doesn't make sin ok, but explains behavior

BROKEN ROD TO MEASURE SIN

John 8:5-9 - 5Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say? 6This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him... Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. 7And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." 8And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. 9But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him.

5-6A DEUTERONOMY 22:22-24

LAW CLEAR, HELD BOTH MAN + WOMAN ACCOUNTABLE HOWEVER... IT IS CLEAR THAT OTHER HISTORICAL DATA THAT THIS WASN'T REGULARLY PRACTICED AT THIS TIME

TRAP: LAMENT: MOSES' LAW??? AGGRESSIVE: NOT POPULAR, HYPOCRISY, OUT OF BOUNDS

6B-6 WRITING: NO IDEA, GIVING TIME

LAW: BOTH SIDES OF CRIME MUST BE FIRST TO CAST AND THEY MUST NOT BE GUILTY THEMSELVES OF THE SAME SIN

MEANING: IF THIS IS REAL, ASK YOU ABOUT GUILTY, BE MY GUEST...

To meet their agenda, they were fixated on one sin to get what they wanted. Don't we do this to one another?

BUT THE WHOLE LAW IS TO BE APPLIED TO EVERYONE, THAT ALL MAY BE FAIRLY JUDGED

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WE NEED A CONSISTENT ROD TO MEASURE HOLINESS, RIGHTEOUSNESS, GOODNESS = SCRIPTURE. ANYTHING ELSE IS SUBJECTIVE, BIAS, TRICKED.

WE MAKE OURSELVES INTO PHARISEES WHEN WE IGNORE LAW FOR SELF + STRINGENTLY APPLY TO OTHERS

JESUS IS LETTING GOD'S WORD OUT THROUGH HYPOCRISY

EPHESIANS 4:17-24 - we are called to holiness, not apathy!

MATTHEW 7:1-5 you can't judge me! No...

Judge yourselves first, honestly, thoroughly

- Am I really living up to _____, says who?

Then you engage in correct judgement

B/C we need to engage one another.

But you can't see through hypocrisy

BROKEN HEART TO TURN FROM SIN

John 8:10-11 - 10Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" 11She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more." - DID ANYONE PASS MY TEST?

IT'S NOT THAT HER ACTIONS DIDN'T DESERVE CONDEMNATION, IT'S THAT GOD'S MERCY IN CHRIST IS GREATER STILL ROMANS 8:31-35 - IN CHRIST YOU ARE FORGIVEN

IT'S NOT THAT WE ARE LIBERATED FROM CONDEMNATION TO THEN GO LIVE LIVES AS WE CHOOSE.

WE ARE CALLED FORWARD INTO FURTHER RELATIONSHIP + Obedience

GAL 5:1 - STAND FIRM, DON'T DRIFT

IDENTITY - GOD DOESN'T JUST ABSOLVE YOU EVERY SUNDAY. HE CHANGES YOU! LIVE INTO IT! EMBRACE IT!

Context

THE CHURCH SHOULD WELCOME YOU IN, AND THE CHURCH SHOULD CALL YOU UP

IN ONLY = PASSIVE } WHEN SIN ISN'T CONFRONTED, THAT'S HOW WE GET PHARISEES BOTH NEEDED FOR HEALTH UP ONLY = RELIGIOUS } SOME OF YOU ARE EXPERIMENTING (WANTS TO RUN)

IF YOU ARE MBN, WELCOME, COME LEARN

FOR MANY OF US, LET THIS BE A REMINDER THAT YOU ARE CHOOSING YOUR LEVEL OF INTIMACY WITH GOD IT'S YOUR CHOICE. What are you going to do?

You cannot hear from God if you are living in willful, unrepentant sin. Withholding forgiveness. This is not a life that God blesses BUT he will receive your repentance... now go + sin no more.

Deuteronomy 22:22-24 - If a man is found lying with the wife of another man, both of them shall die, the man who lay with the woman, and the woman. So you shall purge the evil from Israel. If there is a betrothed virgin, and a man meets her in the city and lies with her, then you shall bring them both out to the gate of that city, and you shall stone them to death with stones, the young woman because she did not cry for help though she was in the city, and the man because he violated his neighbor's wife. So you shall purge the evil from your midst.

Consensual!
seriousness of sexual sin

Ephesians 4:17-24 - Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. But that is not the way you learned Christ!— assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

Matthew 7:1-5 - Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. Why do you see 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 out of your eye,' when there is the log 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.

Romans 8:31-35 - What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

Galatians 5:1 - For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.