

"From Tough Hands to Tender Hands"

From the Series,
"Encounters"



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John 8:1-11

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Meadow Baptist Church

1. Jesus Encounters Troublesome People (1-9a)

The holy commitment of Jesus (1-2) - *"Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. 2 Early in the morning He came again to the temple. All the people came to Him, and He sat down and taught them."* **He was prepared for them, He was available to them & He was investing in them**

- a. The hypocritical conceit of a few (3-6a)
 - i. These people had clout (3a) - *"The scribes and the Pharisees ..."* Bible scholars & religious score-keepers
 - ii. These people were callous (3b) - *"...brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst ..."*
 - iii. These people were inconsistent (4-5) - *"They said to Him, 'Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. 5 Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?'"*
 - iv. These people were corrupt (6a) - *"This they said to test Him, that they might have some charge to bring against Him."*
- b. The heavenly calm (6b-9a)
 - i. The Lord's posture (6b) - *"...Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground."*
 - ii. The Lord's pronouncement (7) - *"And 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."*

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- iii. The Lord's power (8-9a) - "And once more He bent down and wrote on the ground. 9 But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones..."

2. Jesus Encounters a Trembling Person (9b-11)

- a. He would not leave her alone (9b) - "...and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before Him."
- b. He would not leave her unaddressed (10) - "Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"
- c. He would not leave her undefended (11a) - "She said, No one, Lord."
- d. He would not leave her unaccountable (11) - "And Jesus said, **Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.**"

Romans 8:1

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

1 Corinthians 6:11

"And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God."

1 John 1:7 & 9

"The blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin...If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."