**SERMON SERIES:** ONE ON ONE WITH JESUS

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### **Key Line**

"Jesus and the Sinner"

#### Introduction

Last week we read John 3 and saw where Nicedimous transformed his faith. This week we continue by looking at John 8, where Jesus responded to sin with grace and love.

- When was a time that someone gave you grace although you did not deserve it? (Maybe this could be at your job, at school, with your spouse, with your children).
- What does Jesus' grace in your life mean to you?

#### Seek the Word

Read John 8:1-11

- In verses 5-6 the teachers of the law are challenging Jesus, why were they doing this?
- Why did Jesus provide this act of compassion to a sinful woman who most likely did not know who he was?
- In verses 9-11, Jesus' response changed lives and perspectives, so who are you in the story? What do you need to take away from these verses?

### Go Deeper

In John 8:6-7 scholars continue to debate what Jesus could be writing in the sand. Take some time looking at a couple of different commentaries from Logos or the Blue Letter Bible app to see what people believe that he is writing.

## **Talk About It**

- How do you think you would have reacted in that temple court when reading John 8:11?
- What has helped you in your journey as a sinful person to overcome the things that you kept coming back to in the past?
- In a culture that is quick to condemn, how have you learned to love? (applicable actions)
- What does this passage tell us about Jesus and our sin?

# Wrap Up

Reminder: Jesus would rather free us than condemn us. The one who knows all your worst loves you best.

Challenge: Choosing to live and love like Jesus takes surrendering daily to the one who holds it all. If you have not taken steps of Baptism, take time to pray over the idea with your group, if you have already taken that step, but find yourself tied to a sin pray that it may be released.