

Jesus Is...

Forgiving

Read the following verses: John 7:53-8:12

Examining the Text:

1. The writer says, the Pharisees brought the woman to test/trap Jesus. What indicators are there in the text that point to a test/trap? What is suspicious about the test/trap (see Leviticus 20:10 & Deuteronomy 22:22)?
2. What is the nature of the test/trap?
3. How does this account show us that Jesus is the light of the world (8:12)?
4. How do the different reactions to Jesus show us the varied reactions to Him being the light of the world?
5. When Jesus said, "Go, and from now on sin no more" was He putting another legal requirement on the woman? Was this a word of grace? If so, how was it a word of grace?

Digging Deeper:

1. Did Jesus keep the Law, evade applying the Law or break the Law in this situation? (see Exodus 23:1 & 7 for more help).

The Heart of the Matter:

1. Jesus receives us as we are, but He doesn't want us to remain as we are. A well-known hymn says, "Just as I am, I come." So, when we come to Jesus just as we are, should we expect to stay "just as we are?"
2. What experiences have you had where Jesus was helping you to change?