

He Gets Us

WEEK 2 | LOVE IS LOUDER | JOHN 8:1-11

INSPECTION: WHAT DOES IT SAY?

Read verse 2. What posture did Jesus take as He taught in the temple courts?

In what position was the woman presented to Jesus in verse 3?

According to Deuteronomy 17:6, 7 who should cast the first stone?

What is the significance of the “older ones” leaving first in verse 9?

How did Jesus view the woman’s actions in verse 11?

OBSERVATION: WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

According to verse 6, how was this situation a trap for Jesus?

How is it possible to love someone the way they are without affirming their sin?

What might have Jesus been writing on the ground in verse 6?

How did Jesus’ statement in verse 7 connect with His teaching in Matthew 5:27-30?

The absence of the man in the story could suggest a double standard. How do we do this?

LIFE APPLICATION: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ME?

Consider reaching out to someone who has fallen away from God.

Pray daily that your posture in the presence of others reflects Jesus.

Read Paul’s instruction in Philippians 3:1-21 and highlight key phrases.

Make a mental note of your “life of sin” and leave it for the sake of Jesus.

Make a small pile of stones in a visible place in your house and remember this story.

MEDITATION: WHAT DOES GOD SAY?

Colossians 3:13

Isaiah 55:7

Romans 7:1

Proverbs 28:13

Psalms 32:5

James 5:16

Ephesians 4:31-32

Isaiah 1:18

SUPPLICATION: WHAT CAN WE MEDITATE?

A Prayer

Teach me, Father, how to go softly as the grasses grow;
Hush my soul to meet the shock of the wild world as a rock;
But my spirit, prompt with power, make as simple as a flower.

Let the dry heart fill its cup, like a poppy looking up;
Let life lightly wear her crown like a poppy looking down,
When its heart is filled with dew, and its life begins anew.

Teach me, Father, how to be kind and patient as a tree.
Joyfully the crickets croon under the shady oak at noon;
Beetle, on his mission bent, tarries in that cooling tent.

Let me, also, cheer a spot, hidden field or garden grot—
Place where passing souls can rest on the way and be their best.

Edwin Markham (1852-1940)