

Lesson 16

NEITHER DO I CONDEMN YOU

John 7:53-8:11

Key Verse: 11b, "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

1. While the crowds went home, where did Jesus go and why (7:53-8:1)? At dawn, where did Jesus and the people go and why (2)?
2. Who interrupted Jesus' teaching, how and why (3-6a)? Where did they make her stand and what did they announce? On what basis did they condemn her (Lev 20:10)? How do you think she felt? How was this a trap against Jesus?
3. What did Jesus do, and why do you think he did this (6b)? When they kept on questioning him, what did he do and say (7)? How did this uphold God's holiness, while wisely exposing their own hypocrisy (Mt 7:1)?
4. What did Jesus do next and why (8)? How did they respond to Jesus' words (9)? Why do you think the older ones responded first? Who was left standing there? What does this imply?
5. What did Jesus then ask the woman (10)? How did she answer (11a)? Who is qualified to condemn her? What did Jesus say to her and how could he say this (11b; 3:17)? How do you think she felt at this point? What direction did he give her?
6. What has this passage shown you about yourself and about Jesus?