



*Jesus has a message of good news that is for every 1. This series explores that message of hope, healing, grace, and salvation, and asks each 1 who follows Jesus to share it with some 1 who doesn't...because that's what Jesus did!*

### Week 3: "Neither Do I Condemn You"

1. Share a time when you wished you could have a "do-over" in life. How did that experience shape your perspective on grace and forgiveness?
2. **Read John 8:2-11.** How do you think the woman felt when Jesus said, "*Neither do I condemn you*"? What emotions might she have experienced before and after this encounter? Follow up: What else resonates with you from this story?
3. **WHAT JESUS DID:** *Jesus spoke grace and truth to 1 and all. We live in a culture of condemnation.* Can you think of examples of this in today's society? With that in mind how do verses like **John 3:17** and **Romans 8:1** encourage and comfort you?
4. **WHAT THIS MEANS:** *Jesus never said that no 1 was guilty. Jesus never loved sinners by pretending that sin did not matter.* Why do you think Jesus did not ask the woman caught in adultery for her side of the story or allow her to play the victim card? How does Jesus' refusal to minimize sin while offering grace challenge our understanding of forgiveness?
5. **WHAT THIS MEANS:** *Jesus did ask if any 1 was qualified to judge. Every 1 seems to have an amazing acuity for spotting sin...in some 1 else.* **Read Matthew 7:3.** Why do you think it is easier to see the faults in others rather than in ourselves? Follow up: How does recognizing our own sinfulness change the way we view and judge others?
6. **WHAT THIS MEANS:** *Jesus was willing to accept what each 1 of us deserves.* Salvation is not Jesus ignoring sin; salvation is Jesus becoming sin. How does this truth affect your understanding of salvation and the sacrifice Jesus made for you (**Romans 5:8**)?
7. **WHAT THIS MEANS:** *Jesus expects every 1 who receives grace to walk in truth. No 1 is sinless, but Jesus does expect us to sin less.* What steps can you take to ensure that grace leads to a life of obedience and transformation (**Romans 2:4 & Titus 2:11-12**)? Follow up: When it comes to telling your 1, what do we learn from Jesus about speaking both grace and truth?

