

Title: Light It Up

Text: John 8:1-12

Target: Darkness has no hold on you.

- I. **The Setting: Feast of Tabernacles**
 - A. **Place of Commemoration:** "Mount of Olives" (Vs. 1)
 - B. **Picture of Correlation:** "Early in the morning he came again to the **temple**. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them." (Vs. 2)
- II. **The Spectacle: Caught in the Act**
 - A. **Circle of Condemnation:** "The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and **placing her in the midst** they said to him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery." (Vs. 3-4)
 - B. **Challenge of Justice:** "Now in **the Law**, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" (Vs. 5)
- III. **The Showdown: Pharisees/Scribes Vs. Jesus**
 - A. **Falsely Charged:** "This they said to test him, that they might have some **charge** to bring against him." (Vs. 6a)
 - B. **Finger of God:** "Jesus bent down and **wrote** with his finger on the ground." (Vs. 6b)
 - C. **First Stone:** "And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is **without sin** among you be the first to throw a stone at her." (Vs. 7)
 - D. **Fine Print:** "And once more he bent down and **wrote** on the ground." (Vs. 8)
- IV. **The Statements: Life Changing Conversation**
 - A. **Condemned No More:** "Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "**Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.**" (Vs. 10-11)
 - B. **Light of the World:** "Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me **will not walk in darkness**, but will have the light of life." (Vs. 12)
 1. Light Exposes Darkness
 2. Light Warns of Danger
 3. Light Gives Distinction
 4. Light Provides Direction

Takeaway: Darkness can never overcome the Light.