

**Question**

Examine our lives for evidence for fruit to see whether we are in the faith.

Better be **SAFE** than sorry  
Better be **SAVED** than condemned

We must realize our need for God

**Story**

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For What



1. We have all sinned against God and will be damned!
  - Have you ever told a lie in your life?
  - Have you ever stolen anything that does not belong to you?
  - Have you ever taken God's Name in vain?
  - Have you ever lusted in your heart and thoughts for someone who is not your spouse?
  - Have you ever coveted for things when you see it in others?

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**Romans 3:10**

... There is none righteous, no, not one ...

**Romans 3:12b**

... There is none who does good, no, not one.

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**Trivializing Sins**

**Story**  
Man - Parking fines  
Jail



**Romans 6:23a** - For the wages of sin is death

2. Consequently, we must be reconciled with God.

To be reconciled with God means to have:

Right standing with God

This is called: Righteousness

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**Romans 5:1**

Therefore, having been **justified by faith**, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ

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**2 Corinthians 5:18-19**

**18**Now all things are of God, who has **reconciled** us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the **ministry of reconciliation**, **19**that is, that God was in Christ **reconciling** the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the **word of reconciliation**.

3. Our self-righteousness cannot save us on the day of wrath.

**Isaiah 64:6**

But we are all like an unclean thing, and **all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags**; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

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**Luke 18:18-23 - The Parable of the Rich Young Ruler**

**18**Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, **what shall I do to inherit eternal life?**" **19**So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God.

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**Luke 18:18-23 - The Parable of the Rich Young Ruler**

**20**You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.'"

**21**And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth."

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**Luke 18:18-23 - The Parable of the Rich Young Ruler**

**22**So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." **23**But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich.

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**James 2:10**

For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is **guilty of all**.

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**Romans 3:20**

Therefore **by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified** in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

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**Philippians 3:9**

and be found in Him, not having **my own righteousness**, which is **from the law**, but **that which is through faith** in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith

4. We need the Grace of the Righteousness of God by faith.

This is realizing our helplessness and hopelessness and relying totally on the mercy and grace of God to save us.

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**Luke 19:1-10 - Zacchaeus**

**1**Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho.  
**2**Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich.  
**3**And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature.

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**Luke 19:1-10 - Zacchaeus**

**4**So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way.  
**5**And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house."



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**Luke 19:1-10 - Zacchaeus**

**6**So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. **7**But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner."

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**Luke 19:1-10 - Zacchaeus**

**8**Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold."

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**Luke 19:1-10 - Zacchaeus**

**9**And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; **10**for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

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**Romans 10:3-4**

**3**For they being ignorant of **God's righteousness**, and seeking to establish their **own righteousness**, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.

**4**For **Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes**.

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**Romans 3:22, 24**

**22**even the **righteousness of God**, **through faith** in Jesus Christ, to all and on **all who believe**. For there is no difference **24**being **justified freely by His grace** through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus

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**Romans 3:27-28**

**27**Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? No, but by the law of faith. **28**Therefore we conclude that **a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law**.

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**Romans 1:17**

For in it [Gospel] the **righteousness of God** is revealed from **faith to faith**; as it is written, "The just shall **live by faith**."

5. **Receive** the Good News of great joy.

**Romans 6:23**

For the wages of sin is death, but the **gift of God** is **eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord**.

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**Ephesians 2:8-9**

8For **by grace** you have been **saved through faith**, and that not of yourselves; it is the **gift of God**, 9not of works, lest anyone should boast.

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**Romans 5:9-10**

9Much more then, having now been **justified by His blood**, we shall be **saved from wrath** through Him. 10For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall **be saved by His life**.

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**2 Corinthians 5:21**

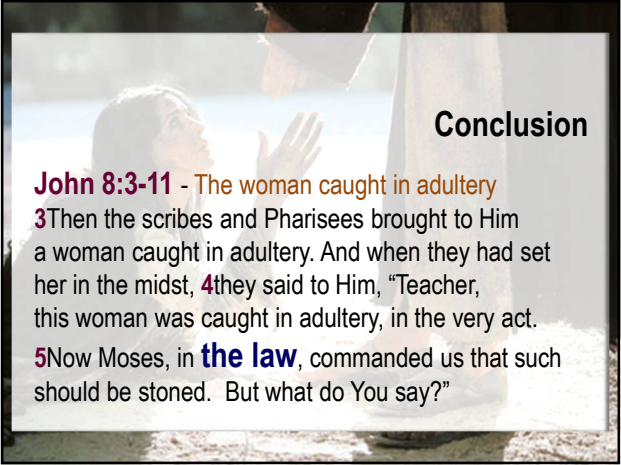
For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that **we** might **become the righteousness of God in Him**.

**I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus!**

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**Romans 5:17b**

... much more those who receive **abundance of grace** and of the **gift of righteousness** will **reign in life** through the One, Jesus Christ.

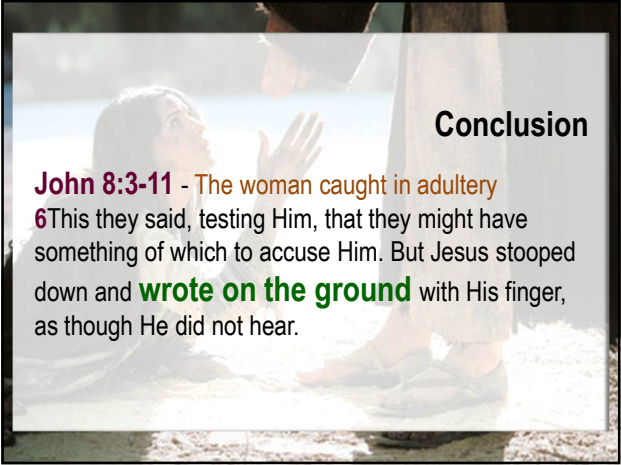


## Conclusion

**John 8:3-11** - The woman caught in adultery

**3**Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery. And when they had set her in the midst, **4**they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act.

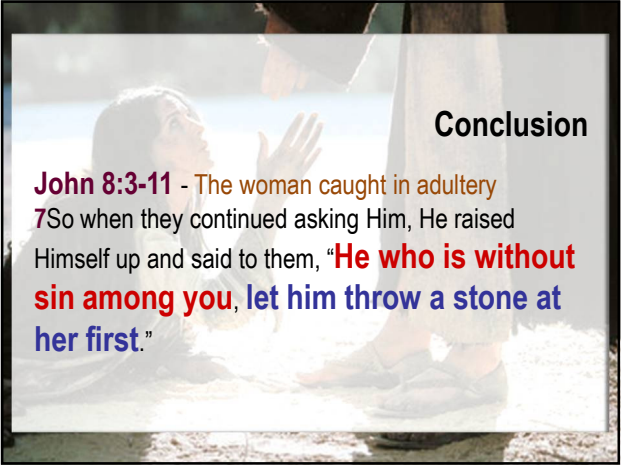
**5**Now Moses, in **the law**, commanded us that such should be stoned. But what do You say?"



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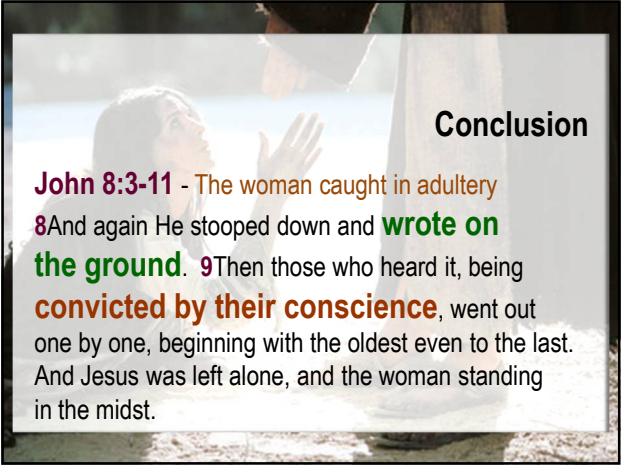
**6**This they said, testing Him, that they might have something of which to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down and **wrote on the ground** with His finger, as though He did not hear.



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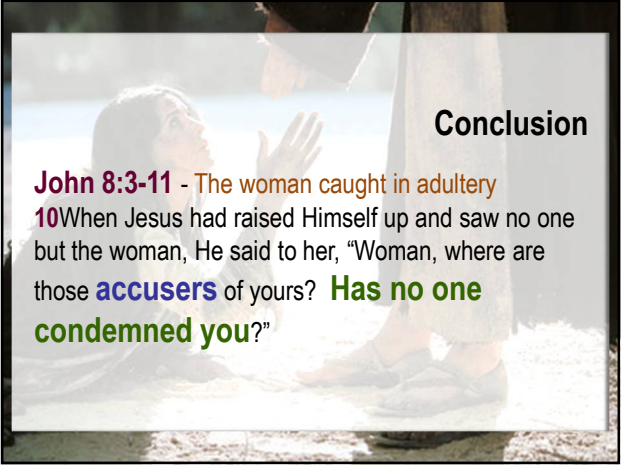
**7**So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, "**He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first.**"



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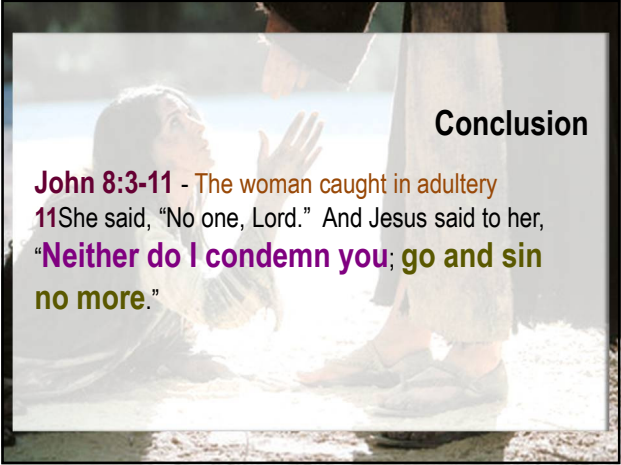
**8**And again He stooped down and **wrote on the ground**. **9**Then those who heard it, being **convicted by their conscience**, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest even to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.



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**10**When Jesus had raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, "Woman, where are those **accusers** of yours? **Has no one condemned you?**"



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**11**She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said to her, "**Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more.**"



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**Luke 15:11-24**

Parable of Prodigal Son and  
the Elder Brother

➤ Grace	➤ Law
➤ Relationship	➤ Religion
➤ Righteousness of God	➤ Righteousness of Man

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**Will you come to Jesus?**

**Jesus - full of Grace and Truth**

**Do you have the Good News  
of great joy?**