

“Neither do I condemn you.”

- “Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.” (2 Cor 7:10)
- GUILT = I feel bad vs. SHAME = I am bad
- Listen to the voice of Jesus.

Question for reflection:

If I really listen to the voice of Jesus, what is He saying to me?

“Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.”

- Let’s be rescuers, not stone throwers.
- Holding shame results in judging others.
- When we are set free, we are free to love and offer mercy and grace.

Question for reflection:

Where in my life can I choose to be a rescuer instead of throwing stones?

“Go now and leave your life of sin.”

- God loves you exactly as you are...and too much to let you stay that way.
- Godly discomfort causes us to run to Jesus.
- Self-compassion is essential for spiritual transformation.

Question for reflection:

What does it look like in my life to run to Jesus and leave no regrets?

Pray:

Lay down any distractions, control, fears, etc. that will keep you from fully engaging in your time together.

Looking Back:

How have you been growing in Jesus lately through Bible reading/reflection, prayer, relationships, etc.?

Looking Up: Read John 8:2-11

Why do you think this story is one that often resonates with people so much?

Are there relationships or scenarios in life where you find yourself being more of a stone thrower than a rescuer?

What about the character of Jesus stands out most to you? (Think about the way He approached the situation, interacted with the crowd, and with the woman.)

Is there a time that you have felt shamed in your life? How did Kevin's sermon address shame in a way that is helpful both looking backward and forward in your life?

How have you experienced the difficult but healing power and process of repentance in a specific situation? (See 2 Corinthians 7:10)

Of the questions for reflection, which resonate most with you and why?

Pray:

How does this message and discussion press you into prayer? What does it move you to pray for? Spend time praying together.

Looking Forward:

What step of action is the Lord calling you to take? How can we support you and pray for you?