



June 14th  
"Multiple Choice"  
"Calling All Broken"

**Big Idea: Adulterer; Stone Throwers; Same Need; Same Grace.**

**Open it:** What are some of your favorite summer vacation memories? Do you have any vacation horror stories?

In John 8 we find a story about sinners. It is a story of a woman caught in the act of adultery. She is an important part of the story but she is not the only focus.

There is the woman who has committed a sin of the flesh. A sin that is obvious and public it is a sin that results in shame. There were other sinners present that day. All the men holding stones of judgment and anger were unknowingly in the same condition of the shamed woman that day. Jesus sees them not as righteous avengers but pride filled men in darkness. Her sin was in public but their sin was hidden, a sin of the spirit. Their willingness to condemn was a result of hearts that had grown hard.

Jesus confronts BOTH the woman and the stone holding men. He challenges both to act on their condition. The woman was to act in submission and acceptance of a gift that was given to her; the men were to humbly accept their true condition of their brokenness before God. There are no "Superior" Christians. There are no "inferior" sinners! There are only people in desperate need of grace! The adulterer: The Stone Throwers: Same Need; Same Grace

**Dig it:** Read John 8:1-11

1. This scene is pretty dramatic. What are some of the "odd" and "awkward" moments in this scene?
2. Think of the woman. What decisions led her to this moment? Is she a victim? Think of the stone throwers. What decisions led them to this moment? What actions in this scene indicate their heart condition?
3. Ok.. What do you think Jesus writes on the ground?
4. What is the lesson Jesus makes clear when he says "those without sin" can cast the first stone?
5. Do you think the woman got off a bit easy? What do you think happened to her life after Jesus said, "go and leave your life of sin." Do you think she did? Why?
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**Reflect on it:**

1. Give examples of where you have been guilty of throwing a stone?
2. Do you think that the woman's sin is greater than stone throwers? How difficult is it to not "classify" sins as major or minor?
3. Remember: Our lives are built on daily actions in response to the words of Jesus. What daily action can you take that keep us from being "stone throwers?" What actions can we take to keep from being the woman?

**Do it:**

Pray as a group that we can start every day with our hearts broken before God.

