



Title: “Grace and Truth”

Text: John 7

Key verses: John 1:14, 17; & Exodus 34:6-7

What stands out to you about the story in John 8:1-11 (the woman caught in adultery)?

“_____ is not the same as _____. Being forgiven doesn’t mean that sin doesn’t matter. On the contrary: forgiveness means that sin *does* matter - but that God is choosing to set it aside.” -N.T. Wright, *John for Everyone*

_____ needs to be a regular practice in our lives and in our worship. It keeps us humble. It shines a light into the dark recesses of our souls.

Grace + Truth = “Neither do I _____ you. Go, and from now on do not _____ anymore.”

“I AM the Light of the World. Anyone who follows me will never walk in the darkness but will have the light of life.” (John 8:12)

What two “hyperlinks” does this point us to?

How do we know if we’re walking in the light?

— We value _____ and live with _____

— We openly _____ our flaws, failures, and sins

— We show the kind of _____ and _____ to others as we have been shown by God

“If you continue in my word, you really are my disciples. You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” (John 8:31-32)

Take _____ of your life

— I think Jesus also wants us to know the truth about _____ - our propensity to sin, our attraction to the darkness, our comfort with the world

— What are you a slave to?

— What are you a disciple of?

“Truly I tell you, before Abraham was, I AM.” (John 8:58)

Jesus is greater than _____, greater than _____, even greater than _____.

Going Deeper | Study & Discussion Questions

1. In your own words, how is the relationship between Grace and Truth played out in the story of the adulterous woman?
2. Why do Christians have a reputation for being judgmental and “throwing stones”? Is this reputation warranted? Have you ever been impacted by the judgement and condemnation of other Christians?
3. In what ways have you experienced the freedom that truth brings?
4. Who is better at “making disciples”: the church or the media? What has been your experience with this?