

John 1:14-18 – The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, **full of *grace* and *truth***.

(John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, “This is the one I spoke about when I said, ‘He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’”)

John 1:14-18 – Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. For the law was given through Moses; **grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.**

No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

John 8:1-11 – At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them.

The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group and said to Jesus, “Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?”

John 8:1-11 – They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him.

But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, “Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.”

Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.

John 8:1-11 – At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there.

Jesus straightened up and asked her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?”

“No one, sir,” she said.

“Then neither do I condemn you,” Jesus declared.

“Go now and leave your life of sin.”

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Order of Operations

P - Parenthesis

E - Exponents

M - Multiplication

D - Division

A - Addition

S - Subtraction

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| E - Exponents | Excuse |
| M - Multiplication | My |
| D - Division | Dear |
| A - Addition | Aunt |
| S - Subtraction | Sally |

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| D - Division | During |
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| S - Subtraction | Sails |

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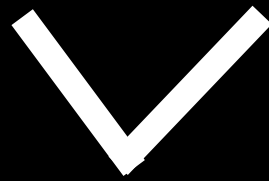
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God is _____.

God is compassionate and gracious.

God is slow to anger and abounding in love.

God is holy, holy, holy.

God is the same yesterday, today, tomorrow.

God is completely trustworthy.

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*Jesus shifts the focus
from someone else's sin
to their own sin.*

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Leviticus 20:10

If a man commits adultery with another man's wife, both the adulterer and the adulteress must be put to death.

Deuteronomy 22:22

If a man is found sleeping with another man's wife, both the man who slept with her and the woman must die.

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Selective Misrepresentation: An overemphasis on the sins of others actually distorts our own understanding and interpretation of Scripture.

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Then he just calmly looked me in the eye and said, “Listen, Jesus never talked to a prostitute because *he didn’t see a prostitute. He just saw a child of God he was madly in love with.*”

I lost the debate that night.

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When we have new eyes, we can look into the eyes of those we don't even like and see the One we love. We can see God's image in everyone we encounter.

As Henri Nouwen puts it, “In the face of the oppressed I recognize my own face, and in the hands of the oppressor I recognize my own hands.”

No one is beyond redemption.

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