

A Grace Experience

John 8:1-11

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- I. Upon being tested by the religious leaders, Jesus poured out grace upon an individual that all were ready to condemn.

What are your initial thoughts about the actions of Jesus and what he communicated to both this woman and the crowd as a whole?

- II. In the midst of overwhelming shame, fear and the ridicule of a crowd, this woman experienced the scandalous grace of Jesus.

Take a minute to remember a time in your life when you too experienced God's grace. Sit in that place, remember your feelings and the impact that it had on you. Then take time to praise Him again for the unmerited favor that you received.

- III. Jesus' choice to offer grace to this woman had rippling effects to those who were there. Some only became more resistant to his teaching because it was not something that matched with the rules they were trained to live by. Others were drawn to his teachings because they saw them as both full of grace and truth.

What has been your response to God's grace? Where on the spectrum of grace and truth do you find yourself? Who in your life might God want you to bestow grace upon?