

1. Jesus is the light of the world

John 8:12 When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

➔ A woman caught in the act of adultery 【John 8 : 4~11】

1. The Pharisees brought this woman to Jesus in order to trap Him.
2. Jesus said, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." No one threw a stone.
3. Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on, do not sin anymore."

The woman caught in the act of adultery met Jesus and had her sins forgiven.

Through Jesus, her life—which had been spent walking in the darkness of sin—was transformed into a life of light.

➔ A person before encountering Jesus:

Bound by sin, spiritually dead, under the control of the devil, and subject to judgment

1. Adam and Eve did not keep God's word; instead, they obeyed the words of Satan, who appeared as a serpent. [Believing a Lie]
2. Following their own desires [the fruit that looked delicious and promised wisdom], they ate the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. [Disobedience]
3. From that moment on, they began to make their own decisions and walk their own path, rather than following God's word. [In Sin]
4. They fell under the devil's control. [In Darkness]

Eph 2:1 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, ²in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. ³All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh^[a] and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath.

2. The truth will set you free

- a) Many people believe in Jesus. **Jesus spoke to the Jews who had believed in him.**

John 8:30 Even as he spoke, many believed in him.³¹ To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³²Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

- b) They did not understand the word of Jesus.

John 8:33 They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?"

- c) Jesus talked about the sin.

John 8:34 Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. ³⁵Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

d) They don't understand about sin. They believe that they are descendant of Abraham not sinner.

John 8:44 You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. 45 Yet because I tell the truth, you do not believe me! 46 Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? If I am telling the truth, why don't you believe me? 47 Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God."

- 1 The Jews saw the miracles Jesus performed.
- 2 They heard Jesus say that He had come from God the Father to save people.
- 3 The Jews were plotting to kill Jesus.
- 4 According to their own teachings, the Jews believed they were not sinners. [In reality, they were under the power of sin.] That is why they could not listen to Jesus' words.
- 5 Jesus said that God's Word is the truth and sets people free; those who do not obey the Word are under the bondage of the devil

3. Jesus came to this world as a light to save the world

John 12:46 I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness.⁴⁷ "If anyone hears my words but does not keep them, I do not judge that person. For I did not come to judge the world, but to save the world. ⁴⁸ There is a judge for the one who rejects me and does not accept my words; the very words I have spoken will condemn them at the last day.

- ➔ To walk out of darkness into the light and become a child of light
- The woman caught in the act of adultery in the darkness had her sins forgiven through Jesus and was led into the light
 - Rather than believing in Jesus' words, the Jews sought to kill Him and remained in darkness.
1. Let us abide in the words of Jesus and become His disciples.
"If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples John 8:30
 2. Let us obey the word of God Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. John
"The Pharisees were unable to hear Jesus' words because they were so strongly bound by their own thoughts and ideas."
- Let us pray that our spiritual eyes may be opened so that we may understand the words of Jesus.
 - Let us ask to be filled with the Holy Spirit.
 - Let us not listen to our own fleshly desires, but seek and obey the will of Jesus.
2. Let us have the light of Jesus [Isa 58:10]
"and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness and your night will become like the noonday."
 - Instead of being self-centered, let's use what we have—[time, gifts, financial resources, and strength—all of it]—to meet the needs of our neighbors.
 - Jesus gave Himself completely on the cross. Let us be a Sheep Christian.