

## The Gospel of John week 8

John 7:53-8:11

This chapter's theme: Who's your daddy?

John 8:12-20

Jesus' big statement #1:

John 8:12 (NLT) Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life."

Action step #1: \_\_\_\_\_ me.

How the Jewish leaders went wrong: they followed the wrong \_\_\_\_\_.

John 8:15-16 (NLT) You judge me by human standards, but I do not judge anyone. And if I did, my judgment would be correct in every respect because I am not alone. The Father who sent me is with me.

John 8:21-30

Jesus' big statement #2:

John 8:21,23-24 (NLT) Later Jesus said to them again, "I am going away. You will search for me but will die in your sin. You cannot come where I am going....You are from below; I am from above. You belong to this world; I do not. That is why I said that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I Am who I claim to be, you will die in your sins."

Action step #2: \_\_\_\_\_ that I Am.

How the Jewish leaders went wrong: they put their trust in \_\_\_\_\_ instead of faith.

John 8:26 (NLT) I have much to say about you and much to condemn, but I won't. For I say only what I have heard from the one who sent me, and he is completely truthful.

John 8:31-59

Jesus' big statement #3:

John 8:31-32,34 (NLT) Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.... I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave of sin."

Action step #3: remain \_\_\_\_\_ to my teachings.

How the Jewish leaders went wrong: they were \_\_\_\_\_ the wrong father.

John 8:43-44a (NLT) Why can't you understand what I am saying? It's because you can't even hear me! For you are the children of your father the devil, and you love to do the evil things he does.

Final Thought: We are all influenced by something, what is the \_\_\_\_\_ of your life? If it isn't Jesus it can be by following Him, believing in Him, and being faithful to His teachings.

John 8 Discussion Questions.

What and/or who are the three biggest influences in your life? Did they become big influences on purpose or by default? Explain.

Read John 7:53-8:11. This event was a set up to corner Jesus in an impossible situation. This woman could not have committed adultery by herself, and yet the male is not present. What does that show about her accusers?

Jesus diffuses the situation with one statement and writing in the dirt. What do you think Jesus wrote? Why do you think the text doesn't specifically say what he wrote?

Jesus said whoever has never sinned could throw a stone, which means he was the only one that could have thrown a stone and yet he didn't. What does that show us about Jesus?

Read John 8:34-36. Paul expands Jesus' point in Romans 6, now read Romans 6. What action steps does Paul give for our faith journey in this chapter? Do you feel like you are "dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus?" (Romans 6:11) Why or why not?

Read John 8:44. We see God's character described all over scripture, but see the Devil's character described only a few times. List out the character traits of the Devil we see in this verse. Scripture tells us this is our true enemy, how can knowing these character traits help us to fight back?