



Jesus Christ: Light of Hope When I Suffer Shame

John 8:1-11

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*“There is therefore no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.”
Romans 8:1*

Jesus speaks of himself as “the light of the world” (8:12; 9:5). We are reminded of the opening verses in John 1:4 “In him was life and that life was the light of all mankind.” In chapter 8, Jesus’ light of hope shines in the darkness of condemnation when a humiliated woman, caught in adultery, is brought publicly before him for judgment. She faces torturing disgrace: shame. What happens next turns the table on the accusers, opens a new beginning for the woman, and challenges us to consider our own shame and guilt in view of Christ’s redemptive work for us.

Dear Jesus, you know my darkest secrets, fears and shame. Things in my life that paralyze me, sometimes beyond my awareness.

Thank you for your love on the cross that bears my shame and your example of grace to the woman caught in adultery.

**Help me to walk in the freedom from condemnation that you gave to her.
Amen.**

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Sermon Notes

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1 Jesus Embraces the Shamed John 8:1-5

2 Jesus Defends the Shamed John 8:6-8

3 Jesus Frees the Shamed John 8:9-11

Questions for Reflection:

1. What is Jesus saying to you about secret areas in your life that would cause you shame?
2. How might Jesus’ treatment of the accusers and the woman influence how you treat others as well as yourself?

*“For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame...”
Hebrews 12:2*