

Message Eight

**The Need of Those under the Bondage of Sin – Life's Setting Free**

Scripture reading: John 7:53 – 8:59

- I. Who Is without Sin? – 7:53-8:9.**
  - A. No man is without sin.
  - B. Only one Man is without sin – Jesus.
  
- II. Who Can Condemn and Forgive Sin? – vv.10-11.**
  - A. Only Jesus being qualified to condemn sin but He would not.
  - B. Jesus is qualified to forgive man's sin.
  
- III. Who Can Set People Free from Sin? – vv.12-36.**
  - A. Christ, the Light of the world and the Giver of the Light of Life – vv.12-20.
  - B. Christ, the I Am – vv.21-27.
  - C. Christ, the Son of Man lifted up – vv.28-30.
  - D. Christ, the Son as the Reality – vv.31-36.
  
- IV. Who Is the Source of Sin and Who Is the Multiplication of Sin? – vv.37-44.**
  - A. The source of sin – the Devil, the Liar, the father of liars – v.44.
  - B. The multiplication of sin – the children of the Devil, those out of the Devil – vv.37-44.
    - 1. The slaves of sin
    - 2. The main items of sin – adultery, murder, and lying.
    - 3. The result of sin – death.
  
- V. Who Is Jesus? – vv.45-59.**
  - A. The One who is without sin – vv.45-51.
  - B. The One who is I am before Abraham – vv.52-59.

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## Reference Scriptural verses

**John 7:53 – 8:59.** **53** And everyone went to his *own* house. **1** But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. **2** And early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him, and He sat down and taught them. **3** And the scribes and Pharisees brought a woman caught in adultery, and having set her in the midst, **4** They said to Him, Teacher, this woman has been caught committing adultery, in the very act. **5** Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. What then do you say? **6** But they said this to tempt Him, so that they might have *reason* to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down and wrote with His finger on the ground. **7** But when they persisted in questioning Him, He stood up and said to them, He who is without sin among you, let him *be the* first to throw a stone at her. **8** And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. **9** And when they heard *that*, they went out one by one, beginning with the older ones. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman *stood* where she was, in the midst. **10** And Jesus stood up and said to her, Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you? **11** And she said, No one, Lord. And Jesus said, Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.

**12** Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall by no means walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. **13** The Pharisees then said to Him, You are testifying concerning Yourself; Your testimony is not true. **14** Jesus answered and said to them, Even if I testify concerning Myself, My testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going; but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. **15** You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. **16** But even if I do judge, My judgment is true, for I am not alone, but I and the Father who sent Me. **17** And in your law also it has been written that the testimony of two men is true: **18** I am One who testifies concerning Myself, and the Father who sent Me testifies concerning Me. **19** They said then to Him, Where is Your Father? Jesus answered, You know neither Me nor My Father; if you knew Me, you would know My Father also. **20** These words He spoke in the treasury as He taught in the temple; and no one seized Him, because His hour had not yet come.

**21** He said therefore again to them, I am going away, and you will seek Me and will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come. **22** The Jews then said, He is not going to kill Himself, is He, for He says, Where I am going, you cannot come? **23** And He said to them, You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world. **24** Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am, you will die in your sins. **25** They said then to Him, Who are You? Jesus said to them, Altogether that which I also tell you. **26** I have many things to say and to judge concerning you, but He who sent Me is true, and what I have heard from Him, these things I speak to the world. **27** They did not understand that He was speaking to them of the Father.

**28** Jesus therefore said to them, When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am, and *that* I do nothing from Myself, but as My Father has taught Me, I speak these things. **29** And He who sent Me is with Me; He has not left Me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to Him. **30** As He spoke these things, many believed into Him.

**31** Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples; **32** And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free. **33** They answered Him, We are Abraham's seed and have never yet been enslaved to anyone. How *is it that* You say, You shall become free? **34** Jesus answered them, Truly, truly, I say to you, Everyone who commits sin is a slave of sin. **35** And the slave does not abide in the house forever; the son does abide forever. **36** If therefore the Son sets you free, you shall be free indeed.

**37** I know that you are Abraham's seed; but you seek to kill Me because My word has no place in you. **38** I speak the things which I have seen with My Father; so then, you also do the things which you have heard from your father. **39** They answered and said to Him, Our father is Abraham. Jesus said to them, If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham. **40** But now you are seeking to kill Me, a man who has told you the truth which I heard from God; Abraham did not do this. **41** You do the works of your father. They then said to Him, We were not born of fornication; we have one Father, God. **42** Jesus said to them, If God were your Father you would love Me; for I came forth out from God and have come *from Him*; for I have not come of Myself, but He sent Me. **43** Why do you not understand My speaking? It is because you cannot hear My word. **44** You are of *your* father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks the lie, he speaks *it* out of his own *possessions*; for he is a liar and the father of it.

**45** But because I speak the truth, you do not believe Me. **46** Which of you convicts Me of sin? Since I speak truth, why do you not believe Me? **47** He who is of God hears the words of God; for this *reason* you do not hear *them*,

because you are not of God. **48** The Jews answered and said to Him, Have we not spoken well *in saying* that You are a Samaritan and have a demon? **49** Jesus answered, I do not have a demon, but I honor My Father, and you dishonor Me. **50** But I do not seek My glory; there is One who seeks *glory for Me* and judges. **51** Truly, truly, I say to you, If anyone keeps My word, he shall by no means see death forever.

**52** The Jews therefore said to Him, Now we know that You have a demon. Abraham died, and the prophets *too*; yet You say, If anyone keeps My word, he shall by no means taste death forever. **53** Are You greater than our father Abraham, who died? The prophets died too. Who are You making Yourself? **54** Jesus answered, If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing; it is My Father who glorifies Me, of whom you say that He is your God. **55** Yet you have not known Him, but I know Him. And if I say that I do not know Him, I will be like you, a liar; but I do know Him and I keep His word. **56** Your father Abraham exulted that he would see My day, and he saw *it* and rejoiced. **57** The Jews then said to Him, You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham? **58** Jesus said to them, Truly, truly, I say to you, Before Abraham came into being, I am. **59** So they picked up stones to throw at Him, but Jesus was hidden and went out of the temple.

**John 3:17** For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.

**John 1:4** In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

**John 1:17** For the law was given through Moses; grace and reality came through Jesus Christ.

**John 14:6** Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

**Rom. 7:18-20** For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but to work out the good is not. For I do not do the good which I will; but the evil which I do not will, this I practice. But if what I do not will, this I do, it is no longer I that work it out but sin that dwells in me.