

ENCOUNTER #15: John 8:1-12 "A NEW SYSTEM"

Most pop Xmas verses luke 2 – Isaiah 9:2-6 unto us a child born son is given – wonderful counselor mighty
Isaiah 9:2 The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of
deep darkness, on them has light shone. **WHAT WAS THE DEEP DARKNESS Sin. Rome. But what if**
It wasn't just the political darkness of Rome that was oppressing Israel, people were
separated from God by a religious leadership used God's law to oppress.

NOTHING REVEALS MORE THIS STORY. rel Found, dragged, scene exploited
People means to an end, used – DISDAIN – SACRIFICED - Twisted God's word for their
own purpose – JUSTICE NOT MERCY - Used religious position to est power over people.

Ezekiel 34:2 Thus says the Lord GOD: Shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not
shepherds feed the sheep? ³You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fat ones,
but you do not feed the sheep. ⁴The weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the
injured you have not bound up, the strayed you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought, and with
force and harshness you have ruled them. ⁵So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd.

ceremony called the "Illumination of the Temple," lighting of four golden oil-fed lamps in the Court of Women. huge
menorahs/candelabras (lighted in the Temple at night pillar of fire. promised to send Light, to a sin-darkened world.

JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD (2nd I am)

- Israelites following the pillar of fire (guide, warmth, protect, see)
- **LIGHT REVEALS – rotten apple – rotten leaders – sin in her life - Savior**

You don't know you're in darkness until you see the light. NO IDEA HOW LOST

We are able to see because **light from an object can move through space and reach our eyes.**
Once light reaches our eyes, signals are sent to our brain, and our brain deciphers the
information. Light source/reflects. **WE CAN SEE BC LIGHT OF WORLD – HIS LIGHT....**

SILENCED RELIGIOUS LIES – ILLUMINATED HEART FATHER – SET SINNER FREE

SILENCED THE RELIGIOUS LIES ABOUT THE FATHER

TRAP: horns of a dilemma – no longer champion needy/reject Moses trapped, separate
Jesus writes in dirt (not scribble) – **their sin, Jer, 10 comm written fing Gd.. we know**
Let him who is without sin among you be first to throw a stone at her.

Their self-righteous double standard was exposed as demanded that this woman be
condemned for her sin. **CONVICT OLDEST (older=honest) – depleted auth – slith (drop)**

- God doesn't save you so you can condemn others –

Choosing blind ur own sin and holding a standard for others that u yourself don't keep.
is a religious lie that misrepresents the heart of the father

M 7:1 Judge not, that u be not judged. ²For with the judgment you pronounce u will be judged, and
with the measure you use it will be measured to you. ³Why do u see the speck that is in your
brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your brother,
'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first
take the log out of ur own eye, and then u will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.

ILLUMINATED THE TRUE HEART OF THE FATHER AND SET HER FREE

The people had never heard anyone speak like this. **WORDS ILLUMINATE**
caught in sin – pub hum/shamed– feared 4 life – **HE LOVED HER (how god saw her)**
HEART OF MERCY: He didn't define her by her sin. **RELIGIOUS PEOPLE DO... labels**
Mercy is Christ's faithful and focused love for us that drives Him to compassionately
help us in our time of need.

Spared Ninevah, restored Peter, accepted Saul, built house for David – **MERCY MISSION**
John 3:17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the
world might be saved through him.

- **God's mercy takes u at your worst.....his arm is not..he will reach into**
HEART OF FORGIVENESS: bypassed temple, sacrifices, priesthood – **ONLY 1 W/RT**
- **JESUS FORGIVES BC HE CAN – notorious woman / simon pharisee**

Forgiveness is free but it's not cheap. **THE CROSS**

HEART BRINGS HOPE: Everyone loves turn around – APPLE – THIS WAS....

- **NOT REJECTING HER – 2nd CHANCE – Help. Other. Pursue. Etern IF U LET HIM**
When God is in the picture your story is never over.

HEART REVEALS TRUTH (Sin no more): no tolerating SIN HERE – **GRACE + TRUTH**
You need the Light of the World speaking truth into your life.

- That thing is **KILLING YOU – STOP IT...** Sin brings death – **RUINS YOUR LF**
James 1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be
tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and
enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is
fully grown brings forth death.

THIS WAS THE MISSION OF JESUS – ILLUMINATE THE HEART OF THE FATHER

- Bring that Mission into Christmas – **INCARNATION**
Every xmas show save Christmas – Christmas is about Jesus saving the world
THIS DARK WORLD NEEDS LIGHT OF CHRIST – PEOPLE LIVING DARKNESS - FACTS