## GO DO WHATEVER MAKES YOU HAPPY Things Jesus Never Said – Part 2 John 8:2-11 January 19, 2020

At dawn he [Jesus] appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them. The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman <u>caught in adultery</u>. They made her stand before the group and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" <u>They were using this question as a trap, in</u> <u>order to have a basis for accusing him</u>. – John 8:2-6a NIV

But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. – John 8:6b NIV

When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is <u>without sin</u> be the first to throw a stone at her." – John 8:7 NIV

Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground. At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "<u>Go now and leave your life of sin</u>." – John 8:8-11 NIV

- > Sin promises satisfaction at the cost of <u>disobedience</u> to God.
- Without a belief in absolute truth, I tend to define truth by whatever makes me happy.
- When the bottom line is my happiness, then happiness becomes the standard by which I judge my actions.

*"If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give <u>good gifts to your children</u>, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!" – Matt. 7:11 NIV* 

> Holiness in not <u>mutually exclusive</u> with happiness.

> Holiness is the <u>pathway</u> to true happiness and joy!

You will make known to me <u>the path of life</u>; <u>In Your presence is fullness of joy</u>; In your right hand there are <u>pleasures forever</u>. – Psalm 16:11 NASB

The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And <u>God is</u> <u>faithful</u>. He will not allow temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you <u>a way out</u> so that you can endure. -1 Cor. 10:13 NLT

## > Every temptation is an invitation to <u>depend on Jesus</u>!

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