



LESSON 3: JESUS FORGIVES A WOMAN

CORE BIBLE DISCOVERY

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Before we dig into today's Bible story, we're going to act out a modern-day scene. Here's what you'll act out: Your school principal finds out that someone cheated on a test. You'll need one person to be the principal and one person to be Aiden, the kid who cheated. Everyone else will be the people who caught the cheater and told the principal. Think of how you expect this story to end and act it out. Read "He Cheated Script".

How did the skit from the script turn out differently than you'd expect? If you're caught cheating on a test, you expect to get in trouble. But Aiden didn't get in trouble! Instead, the principal forgave him. We're going to learn about a similar story in the Bible and see how Jesus forgives.

Get Caught

Just as there were three main kinds of people in our skit—Aiden, the principal, and the people who caught Aiden—there are three points of view in our Bible story. A point of view is the way someone sees something. We'll look at this story three different times, from all three points of view.

In our Bible story, we'll hear about a woman who was caught doing something wrong, so to start with, you'll all be that woman. The punishment for what she did was to have rocks thrown at her until she died.

John 8:5

The law of Moses says to stone her. What do you say?

Tell about a time you got caught doing something against the rules. What kind of punishment did you expect? What really happened? How do you feel when you've been caught and are waiting to see what is going to happen? Let's show what we might look like when we're caught doing something wrong.

Now you know a little bit what the woman felt like. Only instead of getting grounded or sent to her room, she was going to be killed! The religious leaders who accused her brought her to Jesus to see what he would say her punishment should be. Jesus started drawing in the sand a

little bit. Then he said, "All right." How do you think the woman felt then? When everyone left, here's what happened.

John 8:10-11

Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, "Where are your accusers? Didn't even one of them condemn you?"

"No, Lord," she said. And Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and sin no more."

The woman said no, and Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and sin no more." Even though Jesus had never sinned, he didn't throw stones at her. Jesus forgave her.