

# “Sacred Scandal” Group Study

Signs of Life: **Week 10**

Passage: John 8:1-11

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## ICEBREAKER:

1. What’s the best piece of advice you’ve ever been given?

As a way to get into the study, try to remember the Sermon Outline from Sunday:

*Jesus meets us in our sin not to **heap condemnation**, but to **bring restoration**.*

→ **Confronts** our **pride**.

→ **Covers** our **shame**.

→ **Cleanses** our **guilt**.

*The presence of **grace** creates the possibility of **new life**.*



## Discover the Way of Jesus

(Every week in these studies, we will ask questions about the Scriptures that try to help us Discover the unique Way of Jesus that is found in the text.)

2. Ask someone to read John 8:1-11 aloud for the group. Then read John 1:17. How does Jesus’ response to the woman caught in adultery model grace and truth?
3. Describe grace without truth; and truth without grace.
4. Study Romans 8:1. Jesus meets us in our sin, not to heap condemnation, but to bring restoration. Why are believers able to live free of condemnation?



### **Develop the Heart of Jesus**

(This is the part of the study where we work on our own hearts. “How does my character need to grow and change because of this passage?”)

5. Reflect personally; Are you more of a *grace giver* or a *truth teller*? What are the pitfalls of that natural tendency? As you listen to others share, feel free to point out the positives of their tendency.
6. Why is it important for believers to personally live in grace and truth and live in that same way toward others?
7. Is there someone in your life you need to stop judging and instead begin to love? Explain your answer.



### **Live on Mission with Jesus**

(This is the part of the study that we ask, “What would God want us to do because of this passage?”)

8. Take a piece of paper and write the name of someone you may have thrown stones at (including yourself). Collect the pieces of paper and destroy them. Pray together as a group to extend forgiveness or receive the forgiveness Christ has accomplished for you.