

Marinating in God's Word:

John 7:53-8:11

To meet Jesus is to be changed. So it was in the gospels, and so it is in our lives.

For further reflection on your own or in a small group, consider these questions:

- Define grace. How do you see grace at work in Jesus' encounter with the woman?
- Many who don't know Jesus do know his word here: "Let the one without sin throw the first stone." Why is this word so appealing? How is it well-used by those quoting him? Mis-used?
- Having assured the woman that he would not condemn her, Jesus exhorts her not to continue in sin. Did he really think she could avoid all sin? If not, then what was he after?
- With this passage as your guide, how might you distinguish between grace and tolerance? Between forgiveness and indulgence?