

Discussion and Reflection Questions
Lent 2 - I AM the light - 8th of March 2026

Read: John 8:1-12, 9:5

¹ while Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ² Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him and he sat down and began to teach them. ³ The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery; and making her stand before all of them, ⁴ they said to him, “Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. ⁵ Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?” ⁶ They said this to test him, so that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. ⁷ When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, ‘Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.’ ⁸ And once again he bent down and wrote on the ground. ⁹ When they heard it, they went away, one by one, beginning with the elders; and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. ¹⁰ Jesus straightened up and said to her, ‘Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?’ ¹¹ She said, ‘No one, sir.’ And Jesus said, ‘Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again.’

¹² Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.’

⁵ As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.’

Questions

1. In John 8:1-11, the religious leaders bring a woman caught in adultery into the light of public judgment. How does Jesus change the meaning of “being exposed to the light”?
2. Jesus says, “Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone.” What does this moment reveal about the difference between human judgment and God’s mercy?
3. How do you see grace and transformation work together in this passage?
4. Immediately after this story Jesus says, “I am the light of the world” (John 8:12). Why do you think he says this right after the encounter with the woman?
5. Jesus promises that whoever follows him “will never walk in darkness. What might “walking in darkness” look like in our lives today?
6. Throughout Lent Christians are called to examine their lives honestly before God. How does the light of Christ reveal both our brokenness and God’s grace?
7. Light both reveals and guides. How does Jesus do both of these things for his followers?

8. If Jesus is the light of the world, how might the Church reflect that light to others in practical ways?

Prayer

God of light and salvation, scatter the shadows that cling to our hearts. Awaken us to walk as children of the light, guided by the compassion of Christ. Shine upon what needs healing, and illumine the good you have planted within us. Make us bearers of light for those who seek your way. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.