

JOHN 8
REFLECTION GUIDE

- 1, When you were growing up, did someone ever tattle on you and get you into trouble?
2. Why did the religious authorities bring only the woman caught in adultery and not the man?
3. What is the trap they have set for Jesus? What would be their accusation if Jesus told them to stone her? How about if Jesus told them to let her go?
4. Why do you think it was the older men who put down their stones first?
5. What does this story reveal about the character of Jesus?
6. What is your most vivid memory as a child of a dark place (cave, power black out, etc.)?

7. Jesus says “I am the light of the world.” List the ways that light is beneficial.

8. Jesus says, “I know where I came from and I know where I am going.” Is that true for your life?

9. When the Pharisees ask Jesus point-blank, “who are you?”, why do you think Jesus does not give them a clear and direct answer such as “I am the Messiah” or “I am the Son of God” or “I am the Savior of the world.”

10. Where did your ancestors come from? How did they get to this country?

11. What conclusions do the Pharisees make with regard to their ancestry from Abraham? For Jesus, what really counts?

12. What is the point of contention between Jesus and the Pharisees in verses 48-59? What did the Pharisees attempt to do to Jesus? How does this relate to the beginning of chapter 8?