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# [**John 8:1-30**](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%207.1-30)**– Jesus, Light of the World**

[**1**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-1.htm)But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. [**2**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-2.htm)Early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people were coming to Him; and He sat down and *began* to teach them. [**3**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-3.htm)The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman caught in adultery, and having set her in the center *of the court,* [**4**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-4.htm)they said to Him, “Teacher, this woman has been caught in adultery, in the very act. [**5**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-5.htm)“Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women; what then do You say?” [**6**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-6.htm)They were saying this, testing Him, so that they might have grounds for accusing Him. But Jesus stooped down and with His finger wrote on the ground. [**7**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-7.htm)But when they persisted in asking Him, He straightened up, and said to them, “He who is without sin among you, let him *be the* first to throw a stone at her.” [**8**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-8.htm)Again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. [**9**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-9.htm)When they heard it, they *began* to go out one by one, beginning with the older ones, and He was left alone, and the woman, where she was, in the center *of the court.* [**10**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-10.htm)Straightening up, Jesus said to her, “Woman, where are they? Did no one condemn you?” [**11**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-11.htm)She said, “No one, Lord.” And Jesus said, “I do not condemn you, either. Go. From now on sin no more.”]

[**12**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-12.htm)Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, “I am the **Light** of the **world**; he who follows Me will not walk in the **darkness**, but will have the **Light** of **life**.” [**13**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-13.htm)So the Pharisees said to Him, “You are testifying about Yourself; Your testimony is not true.” [**14**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-14.htm)Jesus answered and said to them, “Even if I testify about Myself, My testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going; but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. [**15**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-15.htm)“You judge according to the flesh; I am not judging anyone. [**16**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-16.htm)“But even if I do judge, My judgment is true; for I am not alone *in it,* but I and the Father who sent Me. [**17**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-17.htm)“Even in your law it has been written that the testimony of two men is true. [**18**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-18.htm)“I am He who testifies about Myself, and the Father who sent Me testifies about Me.” [**19**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-19.htm)So they were saying to Him, “Where is Your Father?” Jesus answered, “You know neither Me nor My Father; if you knew Me, you would know My Father also.” [**20**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-20.htm)These words He spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one seized Him, because His hour had not yet come.

[**21**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-21.htm)Then He said again to them, “I go away, and you will seek Me, and will die in your sin; where I am going, you cannot come.” [**22**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-22.htm)So the Jews were saying, “Surely He will not kill Himself, will He, since He says, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come’?” [**23**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-23.htm)And He was saying to them, “You are from below, I am from above; you are of this **world**, I am not of this **world**. [**24**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-24.htm)“Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am *He,* you will die in your sins.” [**25**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-25.htm)So they were saying to Him, “Who are You?” Jesus said to them, “What have I been saying to you *from* the beginning? [**26**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-26.htm)“I have many things to speak and to judge concerning you, but He who sent Me is true; and the things which I heard from Him, these I speak to the **world**.” [**27**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-27.htm)They did not realize that He had been speaking to them about the Father. [**28**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-28.htm)So Jesus said, “When you **lift up** the Son of Man, then you will know that I am *He,* and I do nothing on My own initiative, but I speak these things as the Father taught Me. [**29**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-29.htm)“And He who sent Me is with Me; He has not left Me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to Him.” [**30**](http://biblehub.com/john/8-30.htm)As He spoke these things, many came to believe in Him.

**Interesting Words**

##### ****Light****

##### (φῶς Greek) – phos [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/5457.htm) a source of light, radiance, a source of light, radiance, properly, light (especially in terms of its results, what it manifests), divine illumination – [Rom 13:12](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Rom%2013.12); [2Cor 4:6](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/2%20Cor%204.6); [Eph 5:8](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Eph%205.8);

##### ****world****

##### (κόσμος Greek) – cosmos [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/2889.htm) world, universe; worldly affairs; the inhabitants of the world; adornment, properly, an “ordered system” (like the universe, creation) – [John 1: 9-10](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%201.%209-10); [John 3:16-17](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%203.16-17);

##### ****darkness****

##### (σκοτία Greek) – skotia [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/4653.htm) darkness, a type of moral, spiritual obscurity, blocking the light of God when faith is lacking – [John 1:5](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%201.5), [12:45-46](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2012.45-46);

##### ****life****

##### (ζωή Greek) – zóé [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/2222.htm) life, both of physical (present) and of spiritual (particularly future) – [John 1:4](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%201.4); [2Cor 2:15-16](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/2%20Cor%202.15-16); [1Tim 6:18-19](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/1%20Tim%206.18-19);

##### ****lifted up****

(ὑψόω Greek) – hupsoó [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/5312.htm) lift or raise up, to exalt, uplift, elevate, used of the elevation of Jesus on the cross – [John 3:14](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%203.14); [John 12:31-32](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2012.31-32); [Acts 2:33](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Acts%202.33);

**Cross References**

▪︎ [Matt 5:14-15](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Matt%205.14-15), [16](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Matt%205.16) – “You” are the light of the world.  
▪︎ [John 12:33](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2012.33), [34](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2012.34), [35](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2012.35) – Respond to Jesus while you can, darkness is coming when you will not be able to respond.  
▪︎ [2Cor 5:4](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/2%20Cor%205.4) – Mortality swallowed up by life.;

**Discussion Questions**

Download questions to Word document (click here). Enter your answers, then meet with some friends to discuss. You can also compare your answers to mine for a virtual discussion… to return… back

###### 1****. The Adulteress…****

###### a****. Put yourselves in Jesus shoes… sitting, teaching… then the Pharisees come in with the adulteress… what are your thoughts? How do you respond?****

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###### b. ****What was Jesus’ goal in this encounter?****

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###### c. What risks were involved in this situation and how did Jesus manage those risks.

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###### 2****. I am the light of the world…****

###### a****. What do you make of the differences between****[John 8:12](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%208.12)****and****[Matt 5:14-15](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Matt%205.14-15)****,****[16](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Matt%205.16)****?****

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###### b****. What is the effect of light? What do we do without it?****

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###### c. ****What is the “light of life”? How do you stay in the light and shun darkness?****

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###### 3. ****What was the logical basis for the response of the Pharisees in****[John 8:13](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%208.13)****?**** ****How did Jesus respond?****

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###### 4. ****How would you describe the events in****[John 8:20](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%208.20)****?****

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###### 5.****Jesus changed the subject to one that is extremely relevant to all people. What was the new topic and why is it so important?****

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###### 6.****How would you summarize what Jesus was saying in****[John 8:28](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%208.28)****?****

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###### 7.****Why do you think many responded to Jesus at this point (****[John 8:30](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%208.30)****)?****

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