#### **SERMON NOTES**

Sunday, August 2, 2015

#### "<u>GETTING PAST YOUR PAST</u>" (John 8:1-11)

Today we continue our summer series, *Rediscover Jesus*. Of all His encounters with individuals in the Gospels, the one today may be the most well-known, dangerous, misunderstood, and grace-filled. All of us have a past that separates us from God. How can you get past a sinful past?

"Neither do I condemn you, go, and from now on sin no more" (John 8:11, ESV).

# 1. JESUS \_\_\_\_\_\_ ABOUT YOUR FAILURES.

"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23, ESV).

## 2. JESUS \_\_\_\_\_\_ YOU IN SPITE OF YOUR FAILURES

"Man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7, ESV).

## 3. JESUS OFFERS \_\_\_\_\_\_ FOR YOUR FAILURES

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"On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, 'If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water'" (John 7:37-38, ESV).

"A bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice" (Isaiah 42:3, ESV).

"Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her" (John 8:7, ESV).

"Surely there is not a righteous man on earth who does good and never sins" (Ecclesiastes 7:20, ESV).

"But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5, ESV).

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### 1. JESUS <u>KNOWS</u> ABOUT YOUR FAILURES.

"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23, ESV).

### 2. JESUS <u>LOVES</u> YOU IN SPITE OF YOUR FAILURES

"Man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7, ESV).

### 3. JESUS OFFERS FORGIVENESS FOR YOUR FAILURES

### (4) <u>Admit it</u>!

"Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy" (Proverbs 28:13, ESV).

## (5) <u>Quit it</u>!

### (6) Forget it!

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