

## Answering the Homosexual Agenda - “Where are those accusers?” (John 8:10)

There are several accusations which are leveled against Christians by the homosexual agenda:

- “You are homophobic”
- “You are haters”
- “You are hypocrites”

Sadly, sometimes one (or more) of these accusations can seem true based on our attitudes

- Bad News: This weakens our Christian testimony
- Good News: John 8:2-8:12 can remedy that

### 1. Jesus Did Not Ignore the Law

- Many think this episode demonstrates a certain laxity on the part of Jesus
- Actually, Jesus interprets and applies the Law more accurately than the scribes
  - \* Deut. 22:22 was being ignored... where was the man?
  - \* Deut. 17:6 and 19:15 no longer applied once the crowd dispersed

### 2. Jesus Rebuked Everyone’s Sin

- The Accusers
  - \* Jesus knew their evil motive (vs. 6)
  - \* Jesus exposed their hypocrisy (vv. 8-9)
- The Adulteress
  - \* Jesus did indeed cancel her execution (vs. 11a)
  - \* But not without calling her to repent (vs. 11b)

### General Observations

- No one should come away from this passage feeling un-rebuked
- Jesus does not “side with” either the accusers or the adulteress
- Rather, he corrects both for their sin and calls them to himself (vs. 12)

### Pastoral Advice

- Maintaining a humble attitude is crucial when addressing the sins of others
- Bad attitudes can be manifested in our posture, tone, word choice, *etc.*
- Rather than allowing others to misuse this passage, we should use it evangelistically