



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Throwing Stones: August 30, 2020

1. Read Romans 15:5-7. Pastor Sean shared this definition for the word Acceptance, “To believe that it is a very good thing that they are alive and long for what’s best for them.” From this perspective, what does it mean to truly accept people and do you feel like you live that out?
2. Read John 8:1-11. What specific stones in your life do you need to let go of? Why?
3. Pastor Sean quoted Philip Yancey, “Jesus’ audience would have divided people into two categories: sinners (like the woman) and the righteous (like the men). Yet Jesus in one brilliant stroke replaces them with two different categories: sinners who admit, and sinners who deny.” With this in mind, how do we embrace our value, “Everyone Has a Story” so that our transparency is appealing to those who need Jesus?
4. One of the big ideas from the sermon was that we are most scandalized by sins of the flesh (lust, greed, laziness, etc.). Jesus was most scandalized by sins of the Spirit (pride, arrogance, being judgemental, etc.). What does this mean to you? Have you ever thought about that before?
5. Think about the words you have spoken recently. Did they give life to those around you? What words or actions most powerfully communicate acceptance to you? Be intentional this week to give life to others through your acceptance with words or actions.