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If I could just drink
Faith Formation Team

Gospel for kidz

A Religious Education Resource for Parishes



**Today we are going to be talking about
Jesus talked about his mission.
Let's, listen and hear the story Jesus tells his followers.**

A reading from the gospel according to Luke.....adapted for children

**Jesus was teaching in the Temple when the Pharisees
brought a woman to stand before him.**

They said to Jesus:

*"This woman has been caught doing something wrong,
and the law says that she should be
punished ... what do you think Jesus?"*

**They were trying to trick him. Jesus was drawing something in the sand,
after a few moments he said,**

*"Let the person who has never done anything wrong
be the first one to throw a stone at her."*

**The crowd that had gathered began to leave because
they all knew they were not perfect.**

**Jesus and the woman stood alone. Jesus said to her,
"Has anyone thrown a stone at you?"**

She answered, "No Sir"

Then Jesus said,

"I have forgiven you, now go and try not to sin again."

Let's sit quietly now and think of God's story.

Unpacking the Gospel

- ~ what did the Pharisees / crowd want do to?
- ~ what did Jesus do / say?
- ~ what happened then?
- ~ what did Jesus ask the woman to do?
- ~ do we ever throw stones at people? How?
saying something nasty, being selfish, judgemental etc



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It is very easy for us to see the mistakes and faults of other people.

The crowd had been ready to punish this woman, but Jesus made them realise that no one is perfect and we all make mistakes.

By walking away, the people in the crowd confessed their guilt.

Jesus never condemns a person ; he only condemns their bad action (sin). He offered the woman mercy and understanding.

He forgave her and called her to change her ways.

Invite the children to a) close their eyes and think of a time when they may have 'thrown stones' b) pray ...

Response Lord Forgive Us

For the times we have talked about others unkindly Resp

For the times we have laughed at others Resp

For the times we passed judgement on others Resp

For the times we have thought so much of ourselves that we forgot to think of you ...
Resp

Thank you for your forgiveness Lord, through your mercy we are made new again.

Amen

Pointing Fingers & Throwing Stones

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 The puzzle is based on John 8:1-11



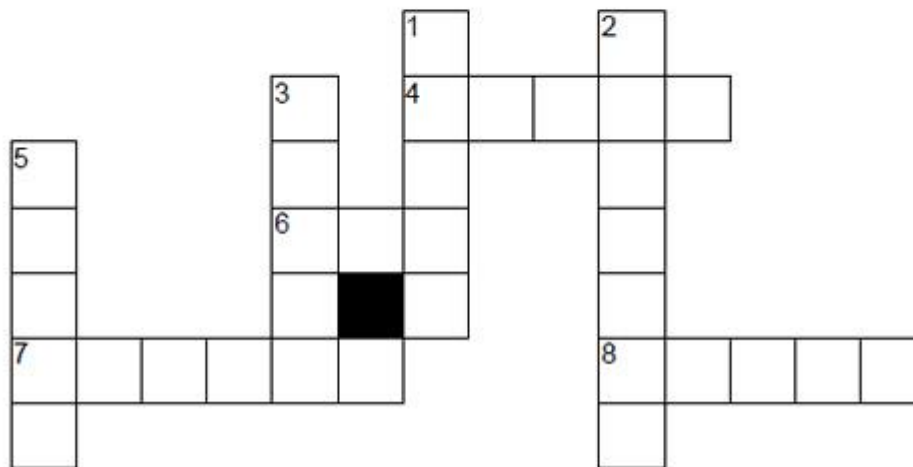
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ACROSS

4. To send something such as a rock or a ball through the air
6. To break God's laws or commandments
7. To say that someone has done something wrong
8. Prophet who received the 10 Commandments

DOWN

1. Another name for a rock
2. To judge someone; to sentence someone for a crime
3. The Son of God
5. An adult female person

WOMAN
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JESUS
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"So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. "

John 8:7