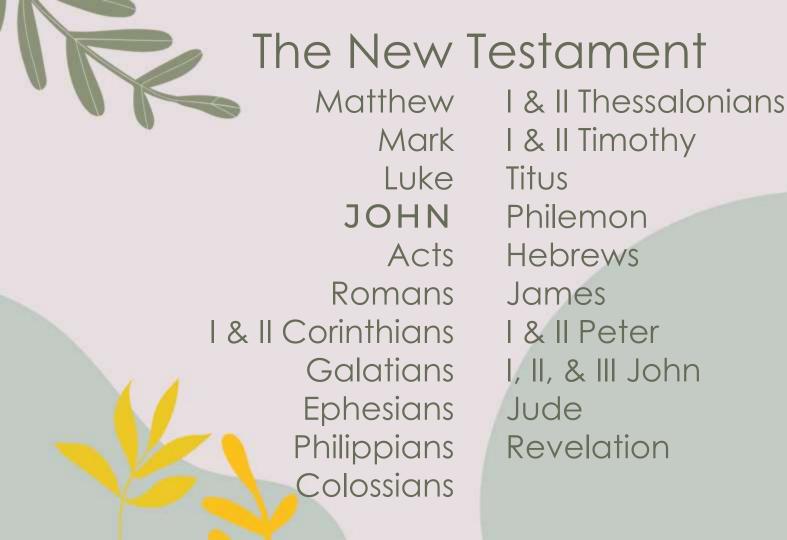


# The Spirit of Life

JOHN 8:1-30





- I. The Set-Up
  - A. It's the day after the Feast of Booths, and Jesus has gone back to the temple to <u>teach</u>. And as He does, He is <u>interrupted</u> by the Pharisees.
  - B. They've come up with a <u>scheme</u> to trap Him.
  - C. They make sure that it's a <u>public</u> test.
  - D. It is meant to be a <u>lose-lose</u> situation for Jesus.

## Leviticus 20:10

If a man commits adultery with the wife of his neighbor, both the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

# **Deuteronomy 22:22**

If a man is found lying with the wife of another man, both of them shall die, the man who lay with the woman, and the woman.

## II. The Response

- A. At first, Jesus doesn't even engage.
- B. There's wisdom in His <u>silence</u>.
- C. The Pharisees thought they were asking a "yes or no" question, but Jesus gives an <u>unexpected</u> answer.

#### III. The Lesson

- A. Even though Jesus as Lord had the right to <u>condemn</u>, He didn't.
- B. He's also the only one with the authority to <u>forgive</u>.
- C. The Pharisees were living under the law of sin and death, but Jesus came to offer the law of the <u>Spirit of life</u>.

