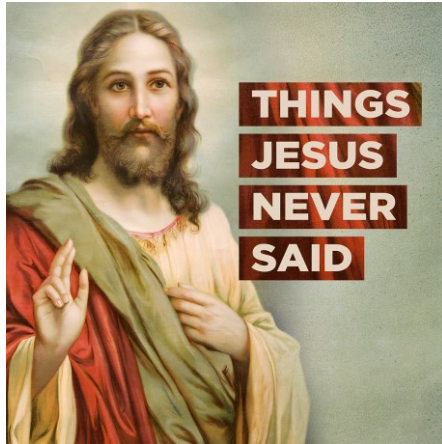


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Part 2: Whatever Makes You Happy

The Worst Day of Her Life

John 8:2-11

²At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them. ³The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group ⁴and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. ⁵In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" ⁶They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him.

But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. ⁷When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." ⁸Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.

⁹At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. ¹⁰Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"

¹¹ "No one, sir," she said.

"Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

Sin promises satisfaction at the cost of _____

Jesus never said, "Go, do whatever makes you happy." He said, "Go now and leave your life of sin." Why? Because Jesus didn't want her to be happy? No, because Jesus was pointing her to the true path to happiness – the one and only path to lasting happiness.

**The true path to happiness is not a path that leads _____
from God, it's a path that leads _____ God.**

"I have come that you might have life – life in all its fullness!"
(John 10:10)

"If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will Your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him!" (Matthew 7:11)

"God, You make known to me the path of life: In Your presence is fullness of joy; in Your right hand there are pleasures forever."
(Psalm 16:11)