#### What About Yours?

by Linville Dunaway, Corinth Christian Church

**John 8:3-7**, "And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst, They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act. Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou? This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground, as though he heard them not. 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"

it's terrible that they have committed it. We may even feel their sins, but what about yours?

to say that he was sinless. The scriptures make it clear that all from our own faults and sins. Even if we forget about our fail- while we're at it.

Even though we realize that we have sin in our life we rate clear that we are not to do it. people according to what we think is the worst sins. While we consider some to be worse than others, God sees sin as don't mean to judge, but...," then that person will go on to say sin and will judge those with unforgiven sins as lost sinners. something about somebody? If we don't mean to judge a per-

To us, a thief, liar, or a murderer is a bad sinner. What we forget at times is that pride is a sin also and needs to be repented of as much as the others. Jesus wrote on the ground as adultery. What did he write? While we have no way of knowing, there has been much speculation about what he wrote in the How easy it is to see faults and sins in others. It may be convicted by their own conscience. It would seem that they

superior and think that we are good compared to such a per- who wanted to condemn the woman. Beside this account know everything, can do everything, and have no trouble son. Yes, they need to repent and go to the Lord because of in John, other scriptures plainly tell us to not judge others. with temptation, or sin. Really? If you're human and live in Judgment belongs to God and not to man. The problem is that When Jesus told the assembled group that the one who while we know that God forbids us to judge our brother, we day. Don't look down on someone who has trouble in his, or was without sin could throw the first stone at the woman, none still want to do it. Maybe when a person is judging someone her, life. Maybe they are trying their best to do right and walk stepped up to do it. Why? None of them was foolish enough else and talking about their mistakes, it takes our minds away with the Lord. Pray for them and let us also pray for ourselves

have sinned and come short of the glory of God. We all know ures for a time, God will not forget them. He also will hold us just how true that is, for we know the weakness of the flesh. accountable for the added sin of judging when he has made it

How many times have you heard someone say, "Well, I son then why don't we keep quiet? If that person has a problem then we would do more good to pray for him, rather than talk about him to someone. Face it, we all have our problems and the men asked what should be done with the woman taken in anyone who claims to be without fault and has no shortcomings in his life needs to face reality before he faces the Lord.

In the gospels we see the religious leaders of Israel condust. I believe it was something that reminded the men of their demning Jesus and saying that he was a sinner. They were own sins. They left without stoning the woman for they were hypocrites, being full of pride, vanity, and hate, along with other sins, yet they acted like they were better than everyone some sin that we would never consider doing, and we think had a lot to think about in their own hearts, at least for awhile. else. Throughout the ages there have been those with similar There is a lesson in this account for us as well as those attitudes. Usually this type of person will act as though they the flesh you have to deal with all these things from day to

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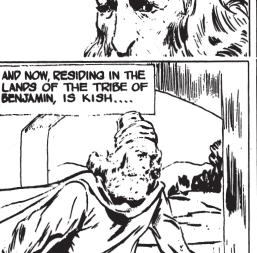
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