

WORD OF THE DAY



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"She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more."

Bring them Home



You're up to pitch. In the sport of baseball, the pitcher holds a very important position. They throw the ball to the other team, giving the batter an attempt to swing and hit the ball. The role of the pitcher is to get the batter out so that he doesn't circumnavigate the bases and return back to home-plate. Sometimes, when a pitcher focuses too much on the batter, instead of throwing the ball over the plate, they may throw a pitch which ends up hitting the batter. This often leads to a major problem and sometimes an injury for the batter.

Where is your focus? In our verse of the day, the passage comes from the lady caught in adultery who was getting ready to be injured until death with stones because of her sin. Similar to the pitcher in baseball who may hit the pitcher when his/her focus is off, everyone in this crowd with the lady caught in adultery likewise had the wrong focus, and it was going to lead to them hitting her with stones. For those in the crowd, their focus was on the sin of this woman, but not on their own sins.

Don't strike them out. Bring them home. Jesus was the only one who could condemn this lady, because Jesus was perfect, but He did not. By contrast, the people in the crowds wanted to condemn her, but the reality of their own flaws made them aware that their condemnation of her, was in essence, a condemnation of themselves. You my friend are up to pitch! Satan is telling you to cast your stones of legalism, pride, arrogance, greed, contempt, judgment, hatred, shame, guilt, and condemnation at those who have sinned, striking them out of the game of faith. But Jesus is telling you to think first before you hit others with your stones. Jesus wants you to focus clearly on the grace that you have been given, so that you can share it with others, allowing them another chance and a swing at it, so that they can clear the bases and come on home.

-Your brother in Christ, WNL

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Striking out others was the norm, until Jesus came and changed the game; informing us that we are all on the same team.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, thank you for reminding me that I am not perfect and therefore I should not stand in the seat of judgement. While correction and Godly rebuke is encouraged and permitted in the Body of Christ, I'm aware that condemnation tells another person that there is no room for repentance or Grace. Help me Lord to focus on bringing others home to Christ instead of hitting them away to hell. In Jesus name I pray, Amen.



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