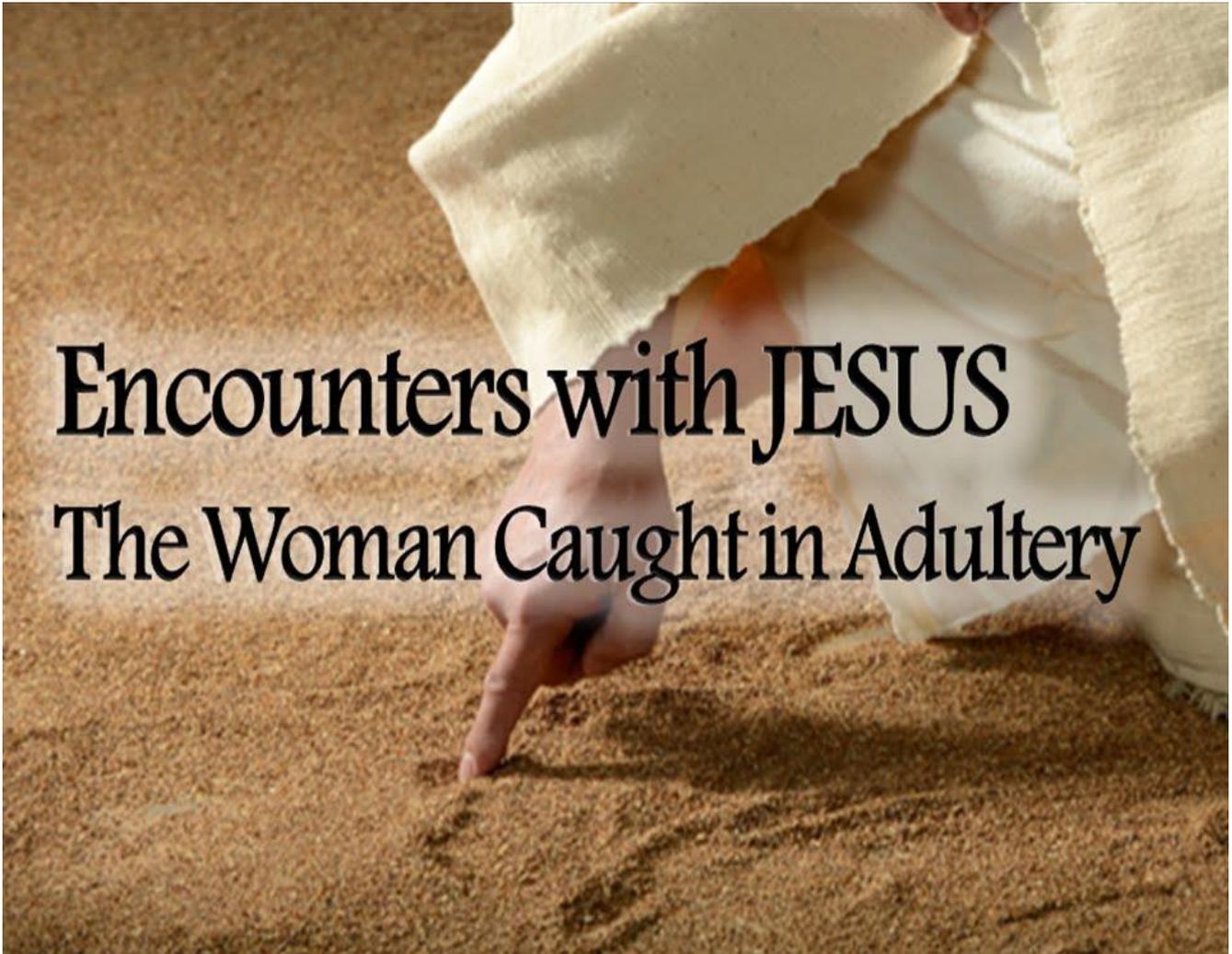


25TH OCTOBER 2020



Encounters with JESUS

The Woman Caught in Adultery

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
we come together as your children to lay our lives before you:
the good and the bad,
the doubt and the faith,
the sorrow and the joy.
the despair and the hope.

As we worship, help us to recognise the presence of Christ with us,
to hear his voice through this service and to feel his love in our fellowship.
Loving Father, you see both our past and the future that awaits us in Christ.

Hear our prayer and receive our worship,
that we might become the people you would have us be,
to the glory of your name.

Amen.

WE ASK FOR FORGIVENESS

Almighty God,
you call us to live as your people:
to walk each day by your side,
seeking your will and showing your love in the way we treat others.

We have failed you.

Forgive us all the opportunities to serve you we have missed,
all the stones we have thrown, the fingers we have pointed.
We are quick to see the faults of others, without acknowledging our own sin.

**We pray courage to admit our faults,
strength to amend our lives and
hope in the grace you offer .**

Renew us now through your Spirit.
Restore us through the love of Christ and remake us in your likeness.
Assure us of your forgiveness and make of us a new creation
to the glory of your holy name. **Amen.**



SCRIPTURE

John 7:53 - John 8: 11

REFLECTION

OUR PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING PRAYER

O Lord our God,
teach us to continue faithfully on the path you set before us,
trusting in your purpose and your presence.
Teach us to desire you with our whole heart,
so that desiring you, we may seek and find you;
and so finding you, may love you;
and so loving you, may hate those sins
which separate us from you.
When we falter, encourage us,
when we stumble, steady us
and when we have fallen, pick us up.
Help us to become, step by step, more truly ourselves
A new creation in you.
In the name of Jesus, we pray. **Amen.**

BLESSING

We bless you God of grace and mercy
and we bless each other,
that the beauty of this world and the love that created it
might be expressed through our lives.
Until we meet again,
may God keep us in the knowledge of
his presence, his light and his love.

