

## SERMON NOTES

Title: Our Compassionate King  
Text: John 8:1-11  
Subject: Abortion / Forgiveness  
Date: 1-28-07

Introduction:

[Genesis 3:6-8 \(NLT\)](#)

- A. When our human nature overthrows the nature of God in us we experience the emotional pain of shame.
- B. Shame is a very real part of the pain that post-abortion parents live with.

[John 8:1-11](#)

Body:

- I. A sinner bears the burden of shame.
  - A. There she stood, an adulteress, caught in the act.
  - B. Sinners are hurting people.
  - C. The suffering is there because there because the conception and life of a baby is a one-flesh experience that procreates the image of God.
- II. Sinners also bear the burden of condemnation.
  - A. It is universal.  
[James 2:10-11](#)
  - B. But the tendency of the church is to heap contempt upon condemnation.
  - C. Look at how Jesus responded to the contempt of the Pharisees.  
[John 8:6-8 \(NIV\)](#), [Jeremiah 17:13](#) says:
  - D. We need to examine our hearts and hear the words of Jesus to the contemptuous church.  
[Romans 14:13](#)
- III. A sinner's burden is lifted with truth and love.
  - A. The compassion of Christ is our example.
  - B. The truth and the love of Jesus lift the burden of shame and condemnation.

Conclusion:

- A. If you are one who is struggling under the burden of sin, be it abortion or something else, my friend, Jesus came to save sinners.  
[Matthew 9:12-13](#)
- B. Church, let us offer the compassion, the truth and the love of Jesus to post abortion parents or any other sinner.