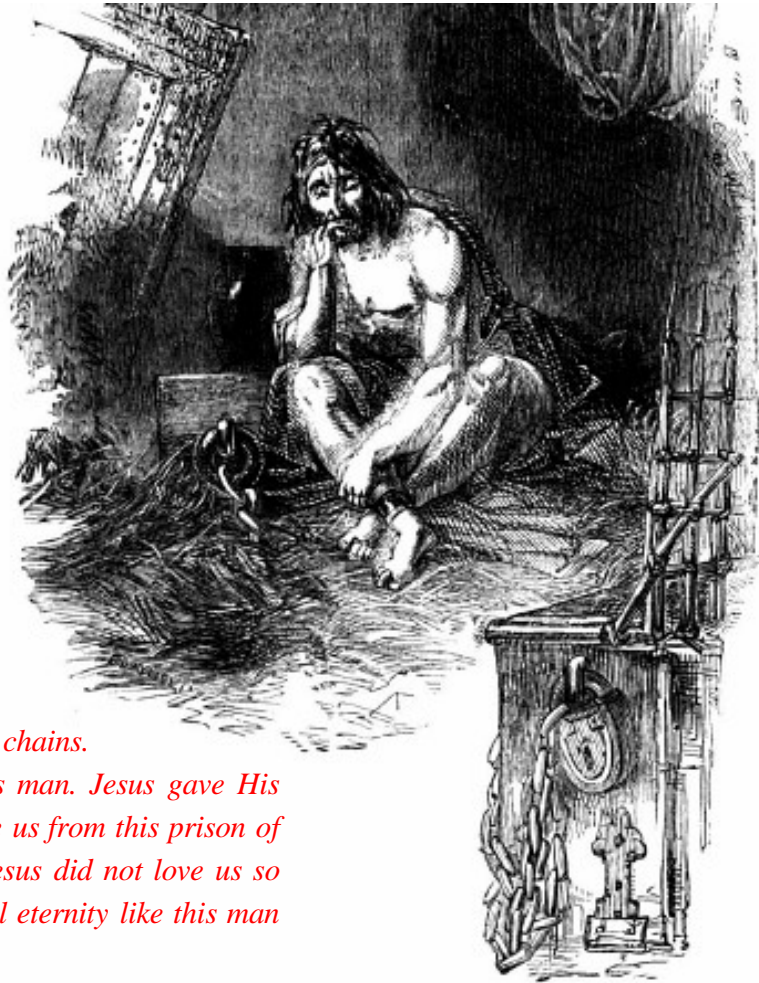


Lesson 37

## Pictures of Jesus

# *The Rescuer*



*This man is a prisoner in chains.*

*Sin makes us all like this man. Jesus gave His life on the cross to rescue us from this prison of sin and punishment. If Jesus did not love us so much, we would spend all eternity like this man in the picture.*

**John 8:4, 7, 10-11 |** *“Teacher (Jesus), this woman was caught in the act of adultery. In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?.... (Jesus said) ‘If any one of you is without sin let him be the first to throw a stone at her.’.... (Jesus said to the woman) ‘Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?’...’Then neither do I condemn you,’ Jesus declared. ‘Go now and leave your life of sin.’”*

A woman was caught in a serious sin. This sin was so bad that she was going to be killed for it. Members of the Jewish Temple wanted to see what Jesus would say about this and so they asked Him what He thought.

Jesus knew this woman was guilty and deserved to die for her sin. Jesus also knew that everyone is guilty of sin and deserves to die for their sins as well. Jesus did not argue whether the woman was innocent or guilty. Jesus made these men from the Temple realize that they, and everyone else, are also guilty of sin. Jesus told them that the one who is without any sin should throw the first stone at this woman. When they thought about it, none of the men from the Temple could claim to be without sin. They all left.

Jesus, who is God, granted the woman forgiveness for her terrible sin. Jesus rescued this woman not only from the men who wanted to kill her but also from the penalty of her sin which was death. Only God could forgive sin and rescue us from death.

Jesus came to earth to rescue us all from the eternal punishment for our sins. Like the

woman in this story from the Bible, we were condemned to death for our sins. Jesus came to our rescue when He died on the cross in our place. Through faith in Jesus as our Savior, we are made clean of our sins and will live in heaven with God one day.

#### PRAYER TIME

We thank you Jesus for rescuing us from our sins and eternal punishment. Because of what You did for us, we will live in heaven one day. Help us to never forget how You saved us from the terrible punishment that we deserve.  
Amen