"Caught In The Act" By Kirk Hunt

Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery. And when they had set her in the midst, they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act.

John 8:3–4 NKJV Please read John 8:3-11

Perhaps the Pharisees thought they had an airtight case. She had been caught in the act of adultery. They would trap that sinner-loving backwoods heretic by His compassionate, forgiving heart.

Of course, if they caught her *in flagrante delicto*, then where was the man? Leviticus 20:10 and Deuteronomy 22:22-24 are very clear and straight-forward. Both the man and the woman were subject to the penalty for sin. Clearly, their agenda was ambushing Jesus rather than holiness or justice.

There are folks who specialize in exploiting the mistakes and errors of others. Comparing them to jackals and hyenas may be accurate, but is little better than name-calling. Your best defense is to simply stay out of sin.

Remaining right and righteous is not always that easy. Still, it is cheaper and easier than being caught in the act. You have the right and responsibility to stay out of sin. Let His power and grace carry you past error and wrongdoing. You will thank yourself and the Holy Spirit in the morning.

Think: It is up to me to stay out of sin.

Pray: "Father-God, help me to live a life free of sin."

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