




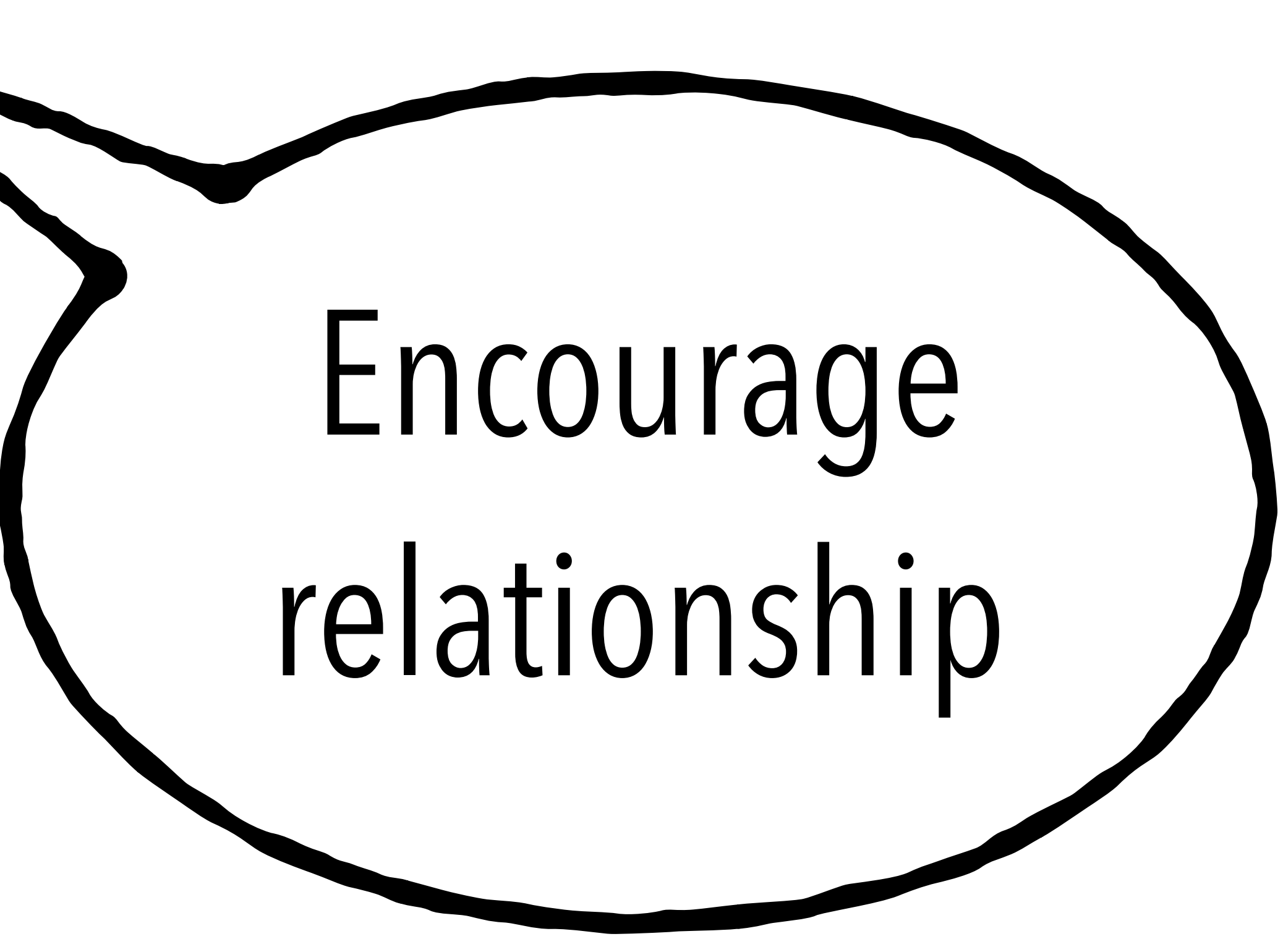
LET ME ASK YOU
A QUESTION

MEETING **JESUS** IN HIS QUERIES

JESUS' QUESTIONS:



Help us notice
what's going on



Encourage
relationship



Has No One
Condemned **You**?

John 8:1-11

JESUS



“**Condemnation** is the medium through which our cultural divisions are realized, policed, and reinforced.”

~ MATTHEW CROASMUN
(in Let Me Ask You A Question)

John 8:1-11

Jesus returned to the Mount of Olives, but early the next morning he was back again at the Temple. A crowd soon gathered, and he sat down and taught them. As he was speaking, the teachers of religious law and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery. They put her in front of the crowd.

“Teacher,” they said to Jesus, “this woman was caught in the act of adultery. The law of Moses says to stone her. What do you say?”

They were trying to trap him into saying something they could use against him, but Jesus stooped down and wrote in the dust with his finger. They kept demanding an answer, so he stood up again and said, “All right, but let the one who has never sinned throw the first stone!” Then he stooped down again and wrote in the dust.

When the accusers heard this, they slipped away one by one, beginning with the oldest, until only Jesus was left in the middle of the crowd with the woman. Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, "Where are your accusers? Didn't even one of them condemn you?"

"No, Lord," she said.

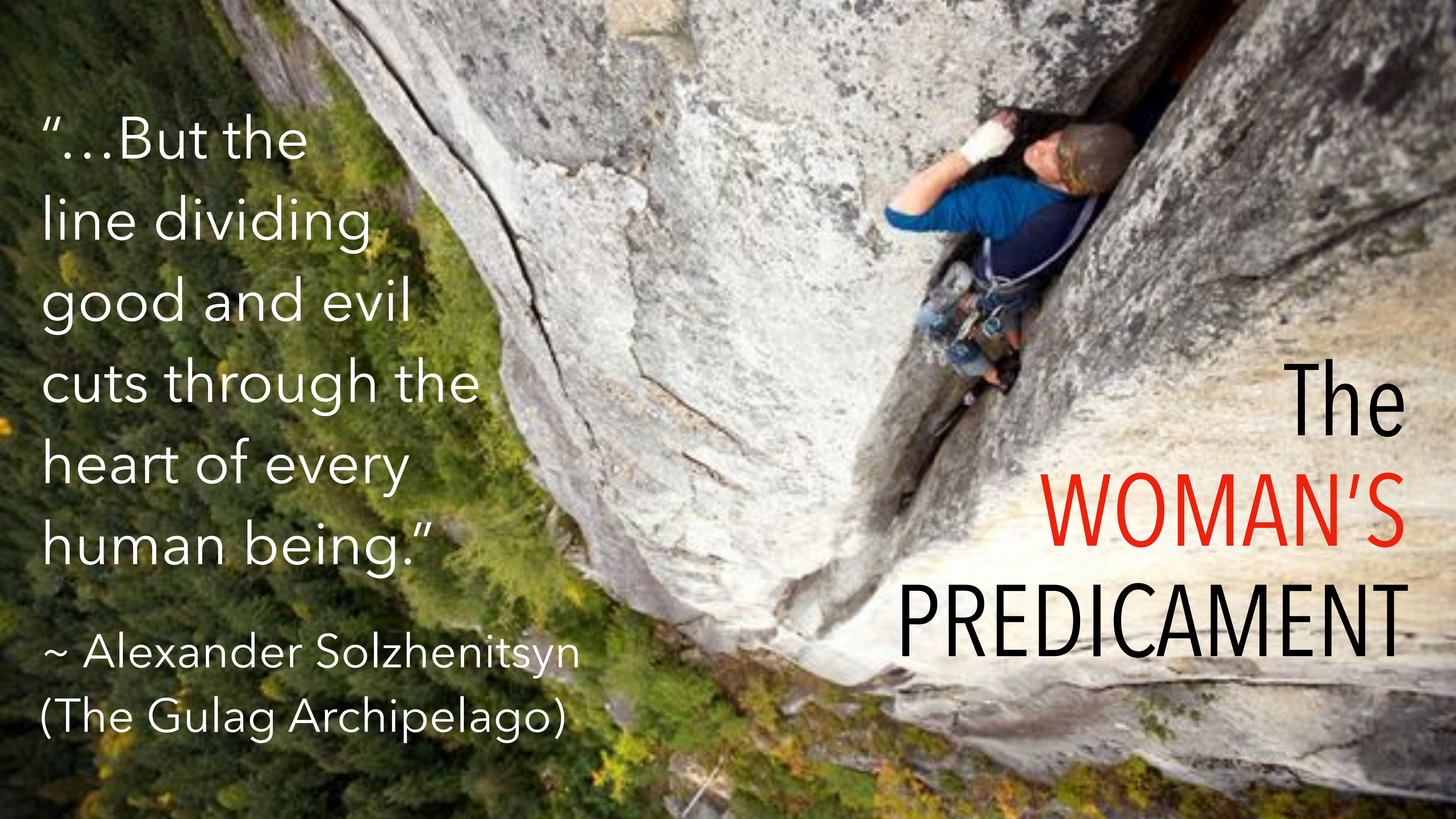
And Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and sin no more."

“At its ugliest, condemnation is a tool that the powerful use to marginalize the weak.”

~ MATTHEW CROASMUN
(Let Me Ask You a Question)



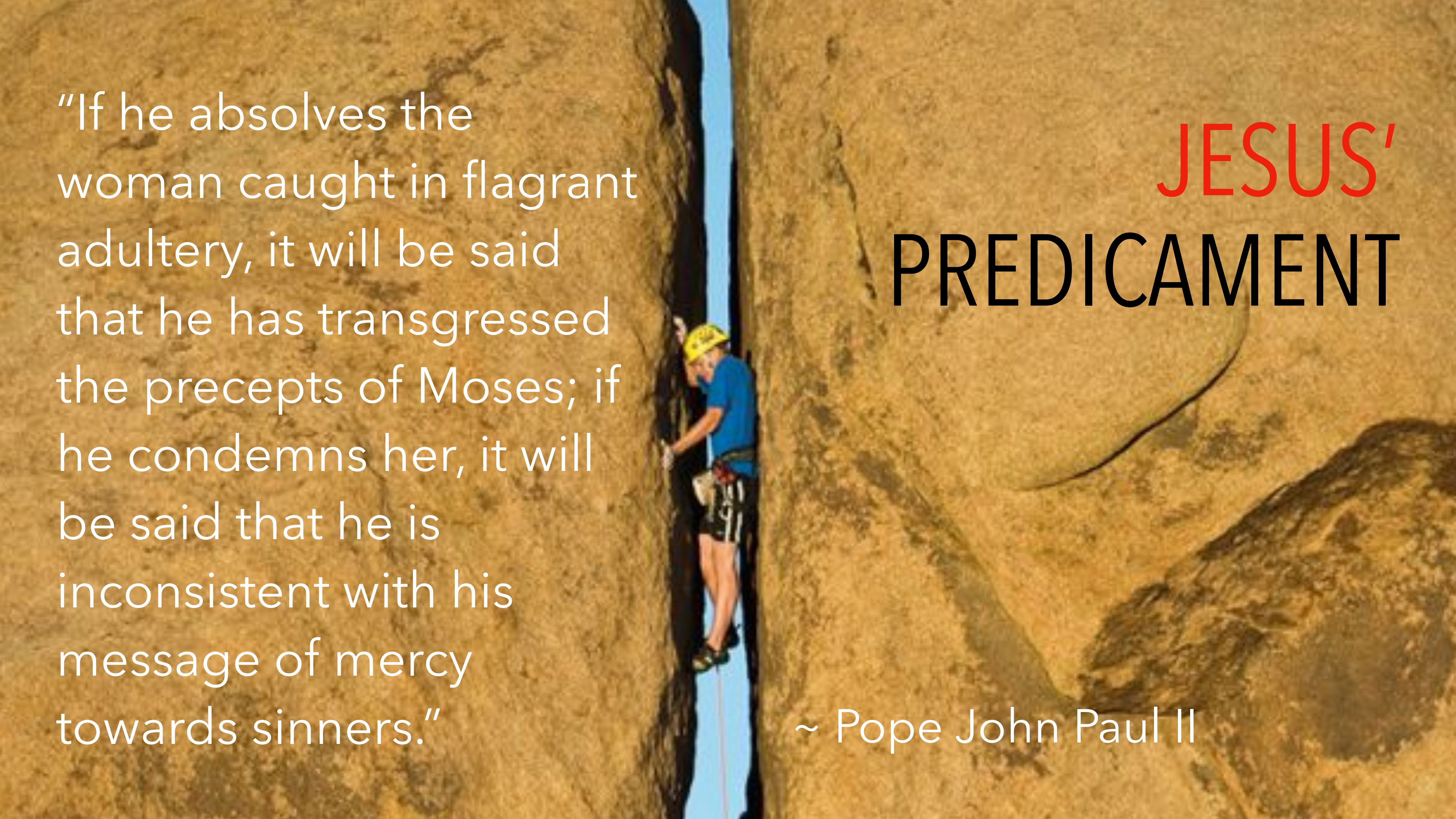
The
WOMAN'S
PREDICAMENT



"...But the line dividing good and evil cuts through the heart of every human being."

~ Alexander Solzhenitsyn
(The Gulag Archipelago)

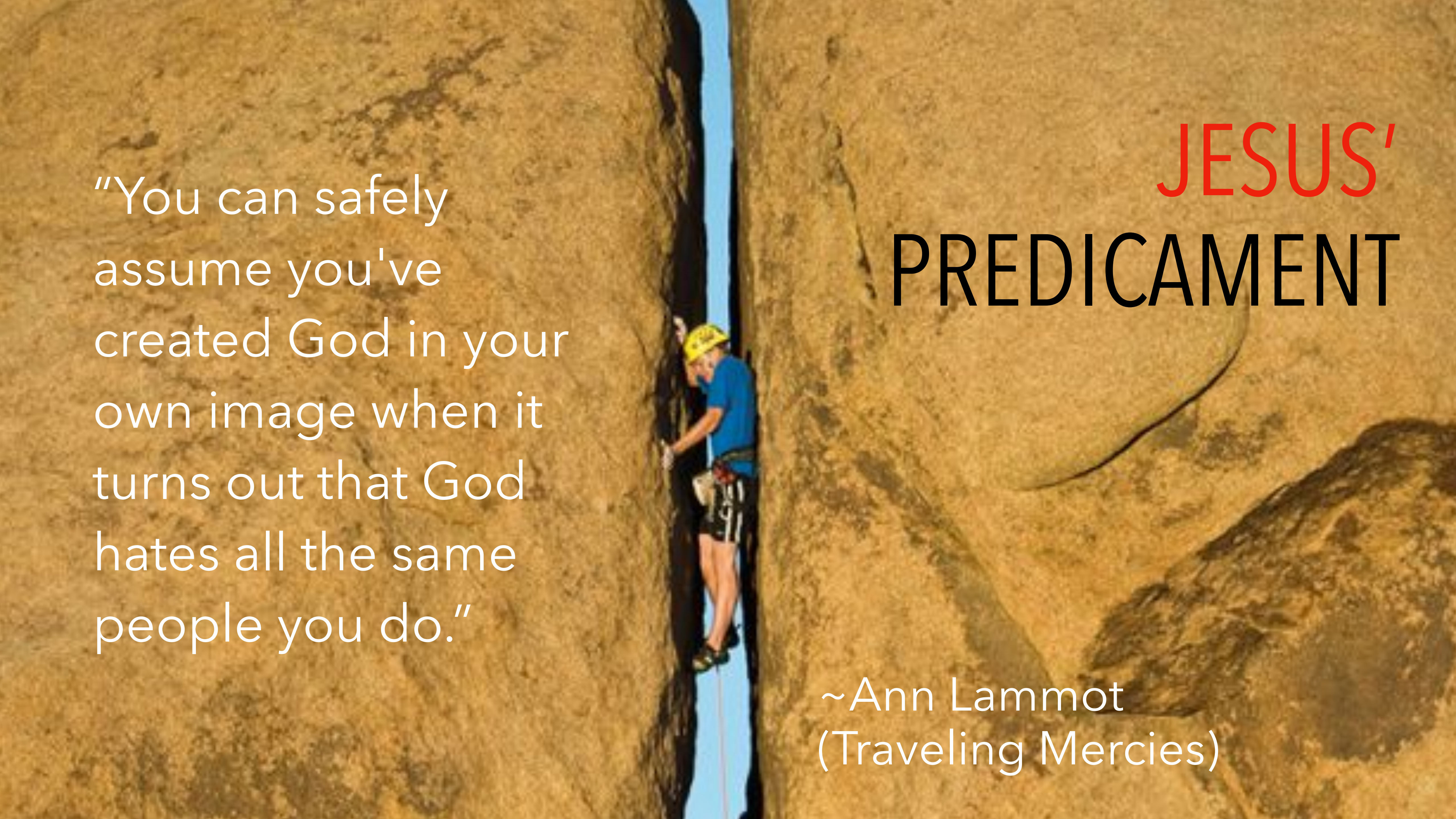
The **WOMAN'S** PREDICAMENT

A person wearing a blue shirt, black shorts, and a yellow helmet is rappelling down a narrow crevice in a sandstone rock face. The person is positioned in the center of the frame, with their body angled towards the left. The rock is a warm, golden-brown color with visible textures and shadows. The background is a clear blue sky.

“If he absolves the woman caught in flagrant adultery, it will be said that he has transgressed the precepts of Moses; if he condemns her, it will be said that he is inconsistent with his message of mercy towards sinners.”

JESUS' PREDICAMENT

~ Pope John Paul II

A person wearing a yellow helmet, a blue t-shirt, and black shorts is rappelling down a narrow crevice in a large, textured rock formation. The person is positioned in the center of the frame, with their body angled towards the left. The rock walls are a warm, golden-brown color and show signs of weathering and erosion. The background is a clear blue sky. The overall scene conveys a sense of challenge and precariousness.

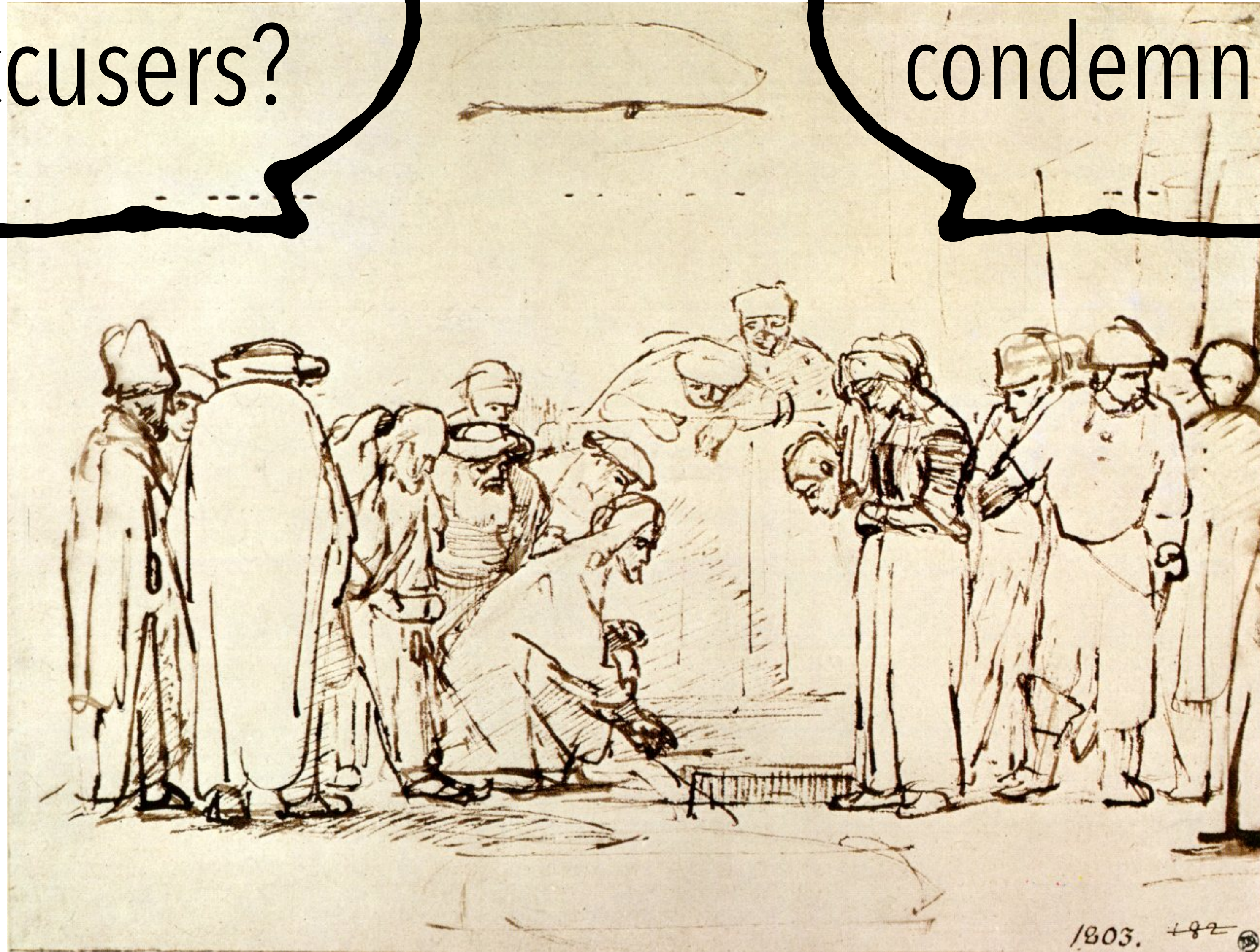
“You can safely
assume you've
created God in your
own image when it
turns out that God
hates all the same
people you do.”

JESUS' PREDICAMENT

~Ann Lammot
(Traveling Mercies)

Where are
your accusers?

Has no one
condemned you?



“Jesus not only loves
us as we are
and where we are,
but loves us forward.”

~Matt Croasmun

Neither do I
condemn you.
Go and sin no
more.

