

Jesus Heals a Crippled Lady

Luke 13:10-17

It was the Sabbath Day, the day many people went to God's house. One lady in particular had gotten up early to go to God's house. Because she was crippled, she had to get started early. For eighteen years her back had been bent like this. For eighteen years she had walked along, looking only at the ground. She had tried many times to straighten up and stand like other people do, but she just couldn't.

When the woman got to God's house, Jesus saw her. Jesus told the woman to come to Him. Do you think the lady wondered why Jesus asked her to come to Him?

The lady began to slowly walk toward Jesus. Jesus wanted to help her.

Jesus looked at the lady and said, "You are healed of your sickness!"

Then Jesus put His hands on the lady. Right away the lady stood up straight and tall.

The lady said, "Oh, I AM healed! I really am! I'm ALL BETTER! Oh, thank You, Lord God; thank You! PRAISE THE LORD!"

Just then a ruler said to Jesus, "Just a moment, Sir! I would like to have a word with You. Don't You know that today is the Sabbath - God's special day of rest? You have broken the law by healing on the Sabbath!"

Jesus said to the ruler, "You are not being fair. Everyone here takes care of animals and sees they have food and water every day, including on the Sabbath. This woman had been crippled for eighteen years! It was far more important to heal her of her sickness – even on the Sabbath – than to care for animals on God's special day."

The healed lady and many other people left God's house praising Jesus for what He had done for the crippled lady.

Bible Verse to Learn

"... Jesus ... went about doing good" (Acts 10:38).