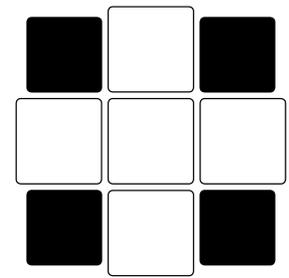


The Crippled Woman

Scripture: **Luke 13:10–17**

Series: **The Gospel of Luke**

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Overview

We all have a certain amount of prejudice. One area we particularly have preconceived notions is when it comes to Jesus. But **Jesus will challenge your preconceived ideas of Him and His word**. When the crippled woman attended the synagogue on the Sabbath, she wasn't there to ask for help. Nevertheless, Jesus healed her, and the ruler accosted her for being healed. Glory has two kinds of impact: it spreads, and it leads to gall. The synagogue rulers demonstrated transparent gall in the face of Jesus' healing, complaining to the sick, actively oppressing the people. Jesus calls him out, putting him to shame. We must approach Jesus with a posture of repentance if we want to see him as he is, and not as we assume him to be.

Corroborating Texts

Luke 13:6–9

Discussion Questions

1. In what ways do we shape our image of Jesus based on our preconceived notions?
2. Sometimes we have wrong notions about Jesus because the truth can be hard to accept. What are some of the harder truths about God or Jesus that you struggle to accept or understand?
3. Theology is sometimes hard to truly accept because it changes our behavior *and* our heart. Why is changing our heart so much harder than simply changing our behavior?
4. You must have the right posture to accept the truth about Jesus. We need to repent. How can we consistently approach Jesus with this posture of repentance?
5. What challenge is Jesus issuing to you today? What assumptions, desires, or resentments should you repent of?
6. What does the parable of the fig tree (verses 6–9) tell us about our spiritual life? [it takes patience and work to bear spiritual fruit]