



# WHEN JESUS ENDED IT

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## WHEN JESUS ENDED IT

- **For eighteen years she had suffered:**
  - With no relief.
  - With no time-out.
  - With no break.
- **Then one Sabbath, he changed everything:**
  - He ended it!
  - He healed her!
  - His name is Jesus!





# LUKE 4:16-19

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION

<sup>16</sup> And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. <sup>17</sup> And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

<sup>18</sup> “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives  
and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,

<sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”





# JESUS AND HIS MISSION IN LUKE'S GOSPEL

## VALUES JESUS HELD:

1. His life was molded around the **Sabbath** and his habit of attending synagogue.
2. His teaching was founded on the **Bible**, and he freely taught people from the Scriptures.
3. His ministry was based on **love for people**, particularly the impoverished, the hostages, the physically disabled, and the victims of oppression.





# LUKE 13:10-17

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION

<sup>10</sup> Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. <sup>11</sup> And behold, there was a woman who had had a disabling spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said to her, “Woman, you are freed from your disability.” <sup>13</sup> And he laid his hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and she glorified God.





<sup>14</sup> But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, “There are six days in which work ought to be done. Come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day.”

<sup>15</sup> Then the Lord answered him, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it away to water it? <sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?” <sup>17</sup> As he said these things, all his adversaries were put to shame, and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.





# JESUS AND HIS MISSION

By not naming the location nor the woman,  
Luke broadens the application and significance of this event  
beyond this one individual woman  
to all women who are  
in bondage,  
in all places, and  
in all subsequent eras.

This beautiful story offers hope to all victims.





## JESUS ENDED IT

- **Jesus saw** the bent-over woman.
- **Jesus called** her to come to him.
- **Jesus waited** for her to obey.
- **Jesus said**, “Woman, you are freed from your disability.”
- **Jesus touched** her.
- Immediately she was made straight.







## JESUS FREES HER

- She was free! This was her “good news.”
- She was liberated from her captivity.
- Her physical oppression was over
- She was experiencing the Lord’s favor.
- Her body was becoming what it was originally intended to be—healthy and upright.
- She glorified God.
- She was letting the world know what she thought of Jesus.





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- By mentioning the Sabbath commandment, he used a weapon against Jesus and against the woman.
- When quoting words of Scripture, he distorted them for evil purposes.
- By attempting to correct Jesus, he claimed to be holier than Jesus.
- By arguing that she shouldn't be healed that day, he justified the abuse of the woman.





## ELLEN G. WHITE

“Christ, during His earthly ministry, emphasized the binding claims of the Sabbath; in all His teaching He showed reverence for the institution He Himself had given. In His days the Sabbath had become so perverted that its observance reflected the character of selfish and arbitrary men rather than the character of God. Christ set aside the false teaching by which those who claimed to know God had misrepresented Him. Although followed with merciless hostility by the rabbis, He did not even appear to conform to their requirements, but went straight forward keeping the Sabbath according to the law of God” (*Prophets and Kings*, 183).





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- When implying Jesus didn't observe Sabbath, he failed to recognize Jesus' true divine identity.





## THE LORD'S RESPONSE

- **He called** the synagogue ruler a hypocrite.
- **He ended** the woman's spiritual and emotional suffering.
- **He aligned himself** with the "daughter of Abraham" and with also Abraham.





## ELLEN G. WHITE

“True sympathy between man and his fellowman is to be the sign distinguishing those who love and fear God from those who are unmindful of His law. How great the sympathy that Christ expressed in coming to this world to give His life a sacrifice for a dying world! His religion led to the doing of genuine medical missionary work. He was a healing power. “I will have mercy, and not sacrifice,” He said. This is the test that the great Author of truth used to distinguish between true religion and false. God wants His medical missionaries to act with the tenderness and compassion that Christ would show were He in our world” (*Medical Ministry*, p. 251).





# THE WOMAN'S MULTIPLE HEALINGS

- **Physical**
- **Emotional**
- **Spiritual**
- **Perhaps Sexual**

*Would you like Jesus to heal you?  
Jesus can touch you also with his pure love,  
reshaping your life and future.*





## LUKE 13:12, “WOMAN, YOU ARE FREE!”

- “Woman, **you are freed** from your disability” (ESV).
- “Woman, **you are loosed** from your infirmity” (NKJV).
- “Woman, **you are set free** from your ailment” (NRSV).
- “Woman, **you are healed** of your sickness” (NLT).
- “Woman, **you’re free!**” (MSG).

